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Will continue to follow and report the activities of
ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in the Nation of Islam (NOI).

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SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
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he is the national leader of the NOI. There is no indication he would be cooperative.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the NOI, a nationalistic organization.

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Synopsis:

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI), resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. MUHAMMAD has said that their ultimate goal is to awaken, unite and devote their people in America. They desired to qualify as a nation of their own so they can enjoy freedom, justice and equality. According to MUHAMMAD, economic security is number one on their agenda for 1960.

As a result of the Muslim movement coming into prominent public focus, MUHAMMAD's teachings and the refusal to let white reporters cover a rally in New York in July, 1959, MUHAMMAD received unfavorable comment from a number of sources charging him with teaching hate, nationalism and black supremacy. MUHAMMAD has answered that he does not advocate the physical extermination of white man but the end of white man's

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doctrines and beliefs and that he does not teach black supremacy but realization of black heritage. MUHAMMAD and two of his sons departed on 11/21/59 on a tour of the Near East and returned to the United States in January, 1960. MUHAMMAD has denied that he is getting help from GAMAL NASSER of Egypt. It was reported that the purpose of MUHAMMAD's trip was "to see one whom MUHAMMAD has been communicating with and to get things straightened out generally".

b1 [REDACTED] MUHAMMAD discontinued his column "Mr. MUHAMMAD Speaks" in the "Pittsburgh Courier" in about August, 1959 in favor of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" newspaper published by SANFORD ALEXANDER, who is reportedly an NOI member. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Members (C) throughout the NOI reportedly support MUHAMMAD financially. Information has been circulated that a Congressional inquiry may be made regarding MUHAMMAD and the Muslim movement.

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The Communist Party (CP), USA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The following organizations, which are referred to throughout this report and which have not been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450, are characterized in the attached appendix pages:

Fruit of Islam (FOI)

Muslim Girls Training (MGT)

Nation of Islam (NOI)

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I. BACKGROUND

A. Residence

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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B. Employment

As reported elsewhere in this report, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the NOI.

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C. Identification Record

It has previously been reported that the records of the Identification Division, FBI, Washington, D. C., contained the following entry on the identification record of ELIJAH MOHAMMED, FBI Number 2 759 020:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
Police Department Detroit, Michigan	ELIJAH MOHAMMED, No. 46883	4/16/34	Cont. to Del Minor	4/25/34 6 months Prob.

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It was learned on October 2, 1959 that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD had slammed a car door on his hand resulting in the nail and all the meat on a thumb being taken off. MUHAMMAD was in the hospital and was to remain there two days.

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B. Policy Statements

The September 26, 1959 edition of the "New Jersey Herald News", a weekly newspaper published at Newark, New Jersey, in an article entitled "Muhammad Explains What Moslems Want", datelined Chicago, reflects ELIJAH MUHAMMAD said, "Our ultimate goal is to awaken, unite and elevate our people here in America. We want to qualify ourselves as a nation of our own so that we can enjoy freedom, justice and equality, wisdom, understanding, food, clothing and shelter. In other words, we want to have our heaven right here on earth! ".

According to this news article, MUHAMMAD also stressed that Negroes will never be free from second hand citizenship until they learn to unite spiritually and financially and develop sound financial enterprises operated solely by and for Negroes.

In an article entitled "KKK Must Be Stopped, Says Elijah Muhammad", appearing in the October 1, 1959 edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch"; ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is quoted as saying that, "Members of the Islamic faith are urged to step up circulation of the Herald-Dispatch into the hands of every black man and woman in America...every Muslim is a little messenger selling this publication which carries my message and teachings into every nook and corner of the country. They teach my message of

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unity, they practice unity, and above all else they must, in practicing unity, support their black brothers in business, whether he is a Muslim or not. Economic security is number one on our agenda for 1960' ". X

It is publicly known that the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" is a Negro throwaway newspaper published each Thursday at 1431 West Jefferson Boulevard, Los Angeles, California; that the publisher is SANFORD ALEXANDER; and that the editor is ELIZABETH PATTERSON ALEXANDER, commonly known as PAT ALEXANDER, who is the wife of SANFORD ALEXANDER. copy

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The January 9, 1960 Chicago edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch", page nine, carried an article by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD entitled "The Economic Blueprint for the Black Man". Under the caption "The Following Blueprint Shows the Way", the following points are set out:

- (1) Recognize the necessity for unity and group operation (activities).
- (2) Pool your resources; physically as well as financially.
- (3) Stop wanton criticism of everything that is black owned and black operated.
- (4) Keep in mind - jealousy destroys from within.
- (5) Observe the operations of the white man, he is successful, he makes no excuses for his failures. He works hard - in a collective manner. You do the same.
- (6) Spend your money with "your own kind".

C. Attendance at Meetings

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It is noted that the wife of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD
is CLARA MUHAMMAD.

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ROY WILKINS, Executive Secretary, NAACP, is quoted in an article captioned, "Portrait of a Shrewd Cult Leader", which appeared on page one of the August 13, 1959 issue of the "Daily Defender", a Chicago daily newspaper, regarding the Moslems movement and its unprecedented refusal to let white reporters cover the Moslem rally at St. Nicholas Arena at New York, as stating that, " 'The so called Moslems who preach black supremacy and hatred of all white people have gained a following only because America has been so slow in granting equal opportunities and has permitted the abuse and persecution of the Negro citizen'. WILKINS blamed 'a shadow boxing with a milk and water civil rights bill' in Congress and 'white racists' for the sudden upsurge of the Moslems movement."

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An article appearing in the August 1, 1959 issue of the "New Jersey Herald News", Newark, New Jersey, entitled, "Muhammad Denies Hate Charge", and sub-captioned, "Muhammad Bans Other Races at Harlem Meeting", reflects that last Sunday ELIJAH MUHAMMAD spoke in New York to an overflow crowd of his followers at the St. Nicholas Arena. According to this article, the Muslim movement in America came in current public focus because of the recent television airings by MIKE WALLACE, noted news commentator and interviewer, in a series of programs labeled, "The Hate That Hate Produced", in which WALLACE sought to show there are certain Negro groups in America who are organized to fight hate with hate.

The news article stated that the Muslims adhered strictly to their rule of no admittance of non-blacks and even MIKE WALLACE and his camera crew along with the white press were denied admittance. MUHAMMAD's followers said the MIKE WALLACE program instead of being named "The Hate That Hate Produced" should, as far as ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is concerned, be named "The Truth That Hate Produced".

An article appearing on pages twenty-four and twenty-five of the August 10, 1959 issue of "Time" magazine captioned "Races" with a sub-caption "The Black Supremacists" reflects that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the Messenger of Allah, born ELIJAH POOLE, the son of a Baptist minister in Sanderville, Georgia, on October 7, 1897, spoke to 5500 Negroes packed into Manhattan's St. Nicholas Arena last week. According to the article, MUHAMMAD said " 'Every white man knows his time is up. I am here to teach you how to be free. Yes, free from the white man's yoke. We want unity of all darker peoples on the earth. Then we will be masters of the United States, and we are going to treat the white man the way he should be treated' ".

The "Times" article reflects that ". . . MUHAMMAD's virulent anti-Americanism and anti-Semitism plus his elite corps of dark suited, shaven-polled young 'honor guards' has lifted him well beyond the run-of-the-street of crackpot Negro Nationalist groups".

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D. Foreign Travel

It was previously reported that ELIJAH POOLE, also known as ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, was issued United States Passport Number 1677936 on June 24, 1959.

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[REDACTED], Chicago Passport Agency,
United States Department of State, 219 South Clark
Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA [REDACTED]
on October 20, 1959, that AKBAR MOHAMMED was issued
Chicago Series Passport Number 1671689 on August 13,
1959, and that HERBERT MOHAMMED was issued Chicago
Series Passport Number 1670801 on August 3, 1959.

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In regard to his trip overseas, ELIJAH
MUHAMMAD stated on October 24, 1959, that AKBAR MUHAMMAD
was going as an interpreter and HERBERT MUHAMMAD was
going as a photographer.

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MALCOLM X LITTLE told ELIJAH MUHAMMAD on
November 9, 1959, that ELIJAH would need a "letter
of finances" in connection with his trip as the letter is
required of everyone making such a trip by the governments
of the countries to be visited. MALCOLM said the
letter should be signed by the secretary and treasurer
of the temple and that the form of the letter could be
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"This is to certify that we, the Muslims of the USA, organized under Muhammad Temples of Islam, are responsible for the travel and maintenance expenses of the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and his party during his world tour."

MUHAMMAD said the purpose of the trip was to observe only and no other reason.

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On November 20, 1959, Special Agents of the FBI observed ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and entourage depart from Midway Airport, Chicago, Illinois, at 12:00 noon via United Airlines Flight Number 632 en route to New York City, New York.

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Special Agents of the FBI observed the three individuals named above board SAS Flight 912 on November 21, 1959, at New York International Airport. They were the only Negroes who boarded this flight in New York.

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Stops were placed on November 27, 1959, and subsequently removed on February 11, 1960, with the Non-Immigrant Control Unit, Records Administration and Information Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, 119 D Street N.E., Washington, D.C., for the re-entry of ELIJAH POOLE, also known as ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, into the United States.

[REDACTED] Supervisor Inspector, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Idlewild Airport, New York City, telephonically advised SA [REDACTED] on January 6, 1960, that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, accompanied by HERBERT MOHAMMED and AKBAR MOHAMMED arrived at Idlewild Airport at 9:45 a.m. on January 6, 1960, aboard Scandinavian Airlines Flight 911 from Copenhagen, Denmark.

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MUHAMMAD listed his destination as 4847 South Woodlawn, Chicago, Illinois.

On January 6, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in New York City and had stated "they" (ELIJAH, AKBAR and HERBERT) would leave New York at 11:50 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on Flight 521, Northwest Airlines, and

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E. Use of Publications

The August 1, 1959, edition of "The New Crusader", a weekly newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois, and self-described as "the militant voice of the people", carried an article entitled, "MUHAMMAD Fake, Imam Charges". The article reflects that Imam TALIB AHMAD DAWUD AL-RAJJ, spiritual leader of the Muslim Brotherhood, USA, and husband of nationally famed jazz singer DAKOTA STATON, had pointed out that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD does not qualify as a bona fide Muslim; that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and his followers are prohibited from making a pilgrimage

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to Mecca by the Saudi-Arabian Government and by the Hajj Committee there; and that MALCOLM X, MUHAMMAD's top leader in New York, was barred from Mecca ten days ago. The Imam accused ELIJAH MUHAMMAD of teaching "race hatred and setting demarcation lines of race". DAKOTA STATON also condemned ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and declared there is absolutely no connection between the ELIJAH MUHAMMAD group which MIKE WALLACE had portrayed on his television program and the Muslim Brotherhood, USA.

An article appearing on Pages 48 - 51 of the August 3, 1959, issued of "U.S. News & World Report" captioned, "Is New York sitting on a 'powder keg'?", discusses the Negro "Muslims" referred to as a "black nationalist" movement that stirs up hatred of the white man. The article reflects the movement is under the leadership of a leader who calls himself ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and maintains headquarters in Chicago.

An article appearing in the August 24, 1959, edition of the "Newark Evening News", Newark, New Jersey, captioned, "City Apprehensive Over MUHAMMAD", reflects that the charge that MUHAMMAD is anti-white stems partly from the fact that he and his followers refer to the whites as "the enemy" or "the white slave masters" and the predictions by MUHAMMAD that Negroes will "overthrow" the leadership of white people in this country by 1970. MUHAMMAD has denied this means the physical extermination of whites, but rather the "end of the white man's doctrines and beliefs" by that time.

According to this news article, the same declarations by MUHAMMAD have resulted in the claim he is a black supremacist. He denies this also, claiming he seeks only the realization of "black heritage".

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It is publicly known that articles concerning Islam and a column entitled, "Mr. MUHAMMAD Speaks", by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the Messenger of Allah and the national leader of the NOI, appeared in the "Pittsburgh Courier", a weekly newspaper published at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, until the latter half of August, 1959.

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The August 10, 1959, "Time" magazine article, mentioned elsewhere, referring to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD reflects that the "Pittsburgh Courier", a Negro national weekly, and the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch", a booming West Coast Negro paper, not only gained attention from his personal column but also found their circulations boosted fast by Muslims who hawked the papers on street corners as a spiritual duty. The article reflects that such leading Negro Harlem politicians as Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, Pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church and Manhattan Borough President HULAN JACK have curried Moslem favor even though full fledged Moslems are enjoined not to vote.

An article captioned "Answers 'Time' Magazine: MUHAMMAD Hits Critics", appearing in the August 15, 1959, edition of the "New Jersey Herald News" reflects that the truth that the charge that MUHAMMAD preaches black supremacy is that he teaches black heritage, not black supremacy.

The answer to the charge that MUHAMMAD predicts the white man's rule will be overthrown by 1970, implying the Muslims will launch some kind of a racial war to exterminate white man, is that the charge is ridiculous, as MUHAMMAD is not speaking of the physical extermination of the white race but the end of his doctrines and beliefs.

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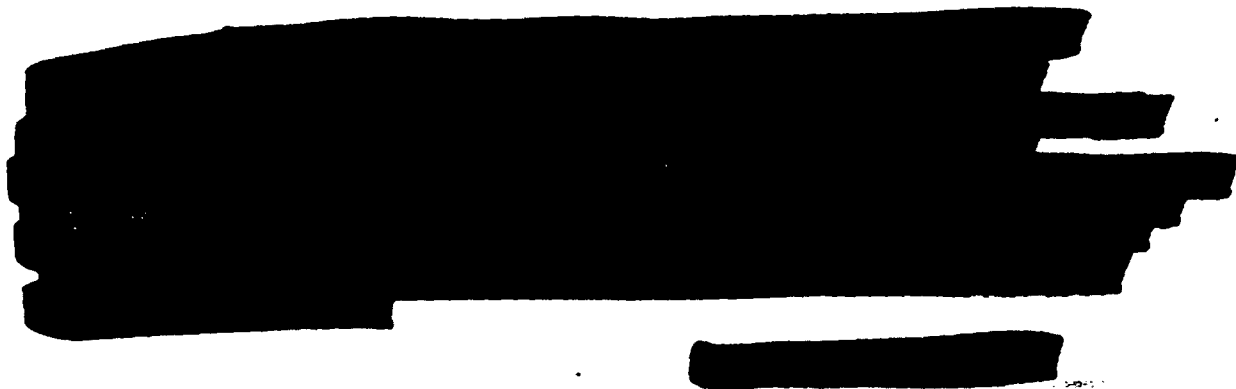
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An article entitled, "Mr. MUHAMMAD and his Fanatic Moslems", appeared on Pages 21 - 26 of the November, 1959, issue of "Sepia" magazine, a monthly magazine published by the Sepia Publishing Company, 1220 Harding Street, Fort Worth, Texas. The article indicates it is an unbiased report on the man who would "throw Christianity into the garbage can".

In an article appearing on Page 20 of the November 13, 1959, issue of the "Washington Daily News" captioned, "In Search of Real Names... 'Muslims' are Few and Quiet", the newspaper speaks about the Temple of Islam and Muslims. The news article states that THURGOOD MARSHALL of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People denounced the cult recently as, "'A bunch of thugs...financed, I'm sure, by NASSER or some Arab group.'"

In an article entitled, "MUHAMMAD Answers MARSHALL", by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, appearing in the November 21, 1959, edition of the "New Jersey Herald News". MUHAMMAD referred to a speech of Counsel THURGOOD MARSHALL, of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, to Princeton University students on October 21, 1959, which was published in the November 5, 1959, issue of "Jet" magazine, the "U.S. News & World Report" and other news sources.

MUHAMMAD stated **MARSHALL** called "us", "'A bunch of thugs organized from prisons and jails and financed by some Arab group and that our movement presents a real threat to law enforcement agencies.'" **MUHAMMAD** said, "Their charges are completely false...the intelligent Arab nation would not finance a bunch of so-called Negro thugs. I have no knowledge of what other Muslims are doing in America and I am only speaking for my group (followers). We are not and have not received not so much as a penny from the Arab nation, nor any other than ourselves."

In this news article **MUHAMMAD** stated, "...Mr. **MARSHALL**, we, the Black Nation of Islam, will be the supreme rulers in the hereafter. That I can prove with truth. You do not need to be numbered with us... I am by no means interested in what the white race is doing for their people. It is my people that I am interested in. I think the white man is wise in trying to preserve his civilization and all nations should do the same. I want the same for my people. I want some earth for them and by the help of Allah, I will get it as Moses got some for the Hebrews."

An article entitled, "N.Y. Hoodlums Throw Acid on Muslim Leaders", and sub-captioned, "**MUHAMMAD**'s Followers Suspected", appeared on Page 1 of the December 28, 1959, edition of "The New Crusader", datelined New York. The article reflects that two acid-throwing hoodlums, who tried to "annoint" with lye two leaders of the Muslim Brotherhood, USA, during the Harlem-wide reception for President **SEKOU TOURE** of Guinea were sought by police following a clash between Muslim Brotherhood followers and cohorts of the rival **KLIJAH MUHAMMAD** Temple of Islam cohorts.

TALIB DAUWD and **ERNEST ROBERTS**, Secretary-Treasurer of the West African Association, Incorporated, were spattered by the lethal fluid in front of **ROBERTS'** Tadak African Arts Store on 125th Street but were not seriously injured.

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The November 21, 1959, the New York edition of the "Pittsburgh Courier" also reported on the above acid incident in an article entitled, "Fete for Toure Noisy, Booming Fiasco. Acid Throwing as 'Moslems' Clash."

The "Courier" article states that the long expected clash involving Harlem's nationalists, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's Muslims and the Muslim Brotherhood, USA, developed into a state of verbal war with bitter charges and countercharges hurled and battle lines drawn. U.S.A.

JAMES R. LAWSON, President of the United African Nationalist Movement, who arranged for the toure affair, blocked followers of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD from participating in the affair. LAWSON claimed MUHAMMAD's Muslims are not true Muslims and that the American Muslim community was represented by ~~HAJJ~~ TALIB AHMED DAUUD IMAM (Miss DAKOTA STATON's husband) of the Muslim Brotherhood, USA.

According to the "Courier" article, DAUUD and ERNEST ROBERTS, Secretary-Treasurer of the West African Association, Incorporated, were assailed by the acid throwers three weeks before the November 7, 1959, Fete for President Toure.

On November 12, 1959, JAMES R. LAWSON issued a statement that he disassociated himself from the ELIJAH MUHAMMAD organization "as they are not followers of the true and pristine teachings of Islam and a detriment to African nationalism and its efforts to liberate the continent."

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F. Communist Party Interest
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3. Congressional Interest in Moslem Movement

The August 27, 1959 issue of "Jet" magazine, published weekly at Chicago, Illinois, carried an article on page six, entitled "Moslem Leaders Slated for Capitol Hill Probe". The article reflects, "Leaders of the Nationalistic Moslem Sect including Elijah Muhammad shortly will be ordered to appear before two Congressional Committees in Washington. . . The Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee and the House Un-American Activities Committee reportedly are planning a full scale probe of the organization's work among Negroes in some fifteen cities." The Sect is described as a "black supremacy" group and accused of conducting a hatred program against whites. It is particularly active in New York City, Detroit and Chicago. . ."

The August 25, 1959 edition of the "Chicago American", page eight, in an article captioned "Messenger Sect Faces United States Quiz" by WESLEY SOUTH, states that the HCUA will investigate ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, 61, and his local Moslem Sect, which preaches a "hate white" doctrine in twenty-nine American cities. The news article reflects that the group would soon be ordered to appear before the Committee in Washington.

The "Chicago American" is a daily newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois.

The August 29, 1959 edition of the "Pittsburgh Courier" carried an article entitled "Dr. King, Keating Blast Muslims Group". Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, leader of the Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott that achieved bus integration, cited the Negro Moslem movement as one of the "hate groups arising in our midst which would preach a doctrine of black supremacy". He indicated that black supremacy is as bad as white supremacy.

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ORGANIZATIONS AND/OR PUBLICATIONS

The following organizations and/or publications, which have been utilized in this report and which have not been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order #10450, are characterized in the attached appendix pages.

FRUIT OF ISLAM

On May 11, 1959, a source advised that the Fruit of Islam (FOI) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) composed of all able-bodied male members of the NOI. The purpose of the FOI is to protect officials and property of the NOI, assure compliance of members with NOI teachings and to prepare for the "War of Armageddon". Members of the FOI are required to participate in military drill and are afforded the opportunity to engage in judo training. The FOI is governed by a military system wherein the members are controlled by general orders similar to those issued by regular military organizations.

MUSLIM GIRLS TRAINING

On May 12, 1959, a source advised that the Muslim Girls Training (MGT) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) and is composed of all female members of the NOI. The MGT is similar in structure to the Fruit of Islam (FOI), which is composed of all male members of the NOI, in that the MGT has officers similar to military organizations to whom other female members are accountable. MGT members receive instructions in homemaking, hygiene, calisthenics, and other subjects such as Muslim history and the English language. There also exists a Junior MGT, which is composed of female members of the NOI who are between the ages of 15 and 19 and who are afforded military-type drill.

Since 1957, various officers and "sisters" of the MGT have, at meetings of the MGT, used the term MGT so that it also means General Civilization Class. General Civilization Class refers to classes conducted within the MGT.

The above refers to activities of the MGT at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois.

On May 8, 1959, another source advised that the MGT is a group within the NOI which is composed of all female members of the NOI. The MGT is similar in structure to the FOI, which is composed of all male members of the NOI. In theory, the MGT exists in all Temples of the NOI and is patterned after the MGT at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, Chicago. General Civilization Class refers to the collective group of classes held within the MGT.

NATION OF ISLAM, formerly referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, also known as Muhammad's Temples of Islam

In January, 1957, a source advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD had described his organization on a nation-wide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam".

On May 11, 1959, another source advised that the Nation of Islam (NOI) is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD, its present national leader, claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States.

Members following MUHAMMAD's teaching and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils", in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon".

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

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In Reply, Please
Refer to File
No. 100-6989

Chicago, Illinois
MAR 3, 1960

ELIJAH POOLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] at Chicago, Illinois dated and captioned as above.

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All confidential sources and informants [redacted] have furnished reliable information in the past. (C)

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Re Bureau 0-17 dated 3/15/60 regarding report of
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1. Correct investigative period should be 12/28/59
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3. Information reported as set out in NY letter-head memo dated 11/6/59, an enclosure to NY let to Bureau (25-330971) dated 11/6/59 captioned "Nation of Islam, IS - NOI, OO: Chicago"

4. Page 34, paragraph 2. Word "alliance" should be "allegiance."

The Bureau is requested to make appropriate changes. Chicago copies have been changed and other agencies will be advised.

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SAC, CHICAGO (100-38636)

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b2 On March 1, 1960, through March 8, 1960, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that during this time ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was at his residence at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Any information which might come to the attention of the Chicago Division in the above matter will be promptly furnished to the Bureau and New York.

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Informants familiar with activities of the NOI have been alerted to furnish all information concerning this immediately.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-24822)

DATE: March 28, 1960

FROM : Legat, Tokyo (105-1155)

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[REDACTED] A review of the records at OSI, DO #42, Clark Air Base, showed no record relating to the subject. SA EIMER GEEHAN, OSI, Manila, advised that a convention had been held in January of all religious sects in Manila, most of the meetings being held at the University of Santa Tomas. No attendance was listed for ELIJAH MUHAMMAD or any followers of his particular sect.

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In view of the fact that the Chicago Office advised that on January 6, 1960, subject was in New York City.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Chief of
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, District of Columbia

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My dear Mr. Hoover,

The enclosed article in the *Mass
Reader's Digest*, to me is frightening.
This man could be a very effective tool
of the Communist Party here in the United
States.

Is there anything that could be done
to check him, before he does any more
damage?

May I also take this opportunity
to thank you for the remarkable
piece of work that your department
has done in your leadership for us
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Sincerely,

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WHEN WE looked out one winter evening we discovered a snowy fairyland. "Let's get the car," I suggested, "and go look at the schoolyard trees. They'll be gorgeous."

Afterward, my husband felt we should also take in the courthouse grounds and drive home by the pond. We had no sooner returned to the house when there was a brilliant flash outside the window. I opened the front door, and there stood the photographer from the paper.

"I hope you don't mind my taking pictures of your front yard," he said. "I've been all over town and this is the most beautiful sight I've seen."

—MRS. W. A. BEAN (La Grande, Ore.)

THE WOMEN of the church took up a collection to buy the pastor a television set, and two of them made the presentation. Completely surprised, the pastor read the accompanying card and, fumbling for adequate words of thanks, blurted out, "I'm overcome with emotion! Would you two ladies please hug each other?"

—RITA PHOTO (Haver, Mont.)

AS WE drove through winding roads and congested towns in New England we kept getting lost at every turn. Finally and inexplicably we found ourselves face to face with the gates of an Army base. A sympathetic guard gave us directions for getting back to the highway. He ended with the inevitable, "You can't miss it."

At this point my mother leaned out the car window and said wearily, "If we can't miss it, it just isn't there."

—ELIZABETH OLSEN (Minneapolis, Minn.)

DURING A discussion in our adult Sunday-school class the conversation drifted to the question of academic education versus on-the-job training. When a young doctor said he had learned as much since leaving school as he had in college, an auto mechanic next to him remarked, "Yes, Doc, but it's a little simpler for you than in my business—you have only two models to work on!"

—MRS. STANLEY G. RICHARDSON (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)

Readers' contributions are solicited for this department. See page 20.

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Mr. Muhammad Speaks

BY ALEX HALEY



As head of a fast-growing, violently anti-white, anti-Christian cult, this mild-looking little man is now called "the most powerful black man in America"

AS ANOTHER Negro and I walked down the main hall of the New York City Public Library, a third, a stranger, joined us. He apologized, "I couldn't help overhearing that you were discussing Mr. Muhammad. It seems that whenever I notice two of us talking, he's the subject."

I had recently arrived from San Francisco. There, too, Negroes were talking about the small, light-brown man who calls himself "Elijah Muhammad, the Messenger of Allah to the Lost-Found Nation of Islam

in North America." The founder and leader of a vitriolically anti-white, anti-Christian cult that preaches black superiority, Muhammad bluntly declares, "I am doing all I can to make the so-called Negroes see that the white race and its religion, Christianity, are their open enemies."

With a program built on tenets allegedly taught to him by "Almighty God Allah in Person," Muhammad has converted to his "Muslim"—cult pronunciation, moose'lem—religion an estimated

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is a white man's religion! It contains no salvation for the black man! . . . Properly read, the Resurrection means that we, the black men of North America, will rise from mental death—then, like Joseph, go on to become master in the land where in we once were slaves. . . . Why, after 400 years of murder, rape and slavery, do our oppressors now wave the olive branch of integration? Our oppressors are determined to keep our eyes in the sky while they control the land under our feet—smite our cheeks, rob our pockets! . . . They do not want a united Negro! They do not want an Islamic Negro! They know that Islam frees black men from fear!"

Afterward, Muhammad's words were discussed throughout Harlem—in apartments, along the sidewalks, in taverns and restaurants. Exclaimed a retired U. S. Coast Guard steward: "What kind of fools sit and hear him run down God?" A social worker at her desk: "The man is either a gifted opportunist or a psychotic!"

But for every antagonist, at least three defended Muhammad. For example, a woman in a beauty parlor said, "Muhammad just talks facts, and white people call it hate. Negroes already got plenty to hate—he's just bringing it out! If they want to stop Muhammad, the quickest way is to stop the Faubuses."

"It's got to go further than that," said another. "Integrate schools—what have you got? Graduation day, white kids go in one direction, and

black another. They know better than to ask for the jobs the white kids get. The Constitution says the same thing for all the citizens—it just gets twisted when it's us!"

And still another: "You read where some of them Southern churches fire preachers for just talking tolerance. Sunday morning is the most Jim Crow day in this country. It's going to be a bad time in heaven, I think."

None of it was surprising to a professor of sociology, who said, "I've studied this man. He would never have got off the ground without so many evils to point out. But Muhammad's the extravaganza. Go to a routine temple meeting if you want to see the real spadework."

I went to Harlem's Temple of Islam No. 7, the next Sunday afternoon. Facing us there was a blackboard; painted on it was an American flag, captioned "Slavery, Suffering, Death"; opposite it was an Islamic Star and Crescent, captioned "Freedom, Justice, Equality." Printed between the two was, "Which One Will Survive the War of Armageddon?" After an inflammatory harangue by a 26-year-old Korean War veteran named "Curtis 2-X," all non-Muslims were invited to step to the rear of the temple to declare themselves.

All new converts begin a series of intensive lectures and lessons. The core of these is fierce black-race pride: "You are superior. Act it." "Principles of Belief in Islam" come next: keep up prayer; spend of

sergeants and corporals within the congregation. This deep-rooted organization gives Elijah Muhammad a control and direct power unequaled among Negro leaders.

Nowhere is the Muslim bond of unity displayed more graphically than in their business establishments, which do brisk trade. But Muslim cash registers provide only part of the revenue that reaches Muhammad. At the St. Nicholas Arena in New York I saw no coins in the offering—nothing but bills fluttered into the large paper sacks which ushers passed in the packed hall. More money comes from monthly bazaars and sidewalk sales of jellies, pies, candies and cakes.

All together, enough U.S. Negro dollars flow in to Mr. Muhammad to enable him to finance new businesses, amass funds to begin the 20-million-dollar Center and purchase a large, modern Chicago apartment building. (From the latter he evicted white tenants, moved in Negroes, then lowered the rent—a point not lost upon non-Muslim Negroes.)

A few days after the interview I was invited to dine with the Muhammad family. Muhammad spoke in a calm voice—mostly of his problems. The FBI, for instance, was building a thickening file on the organization's activities. He knew that a Congressional probe was rumored, and that the Internal Revenue Service maintains keen interest in Muslim finance. But he said that he fears no agencies. "I have all I need—the truth," he said.

Five times during dinner, Mr. Muhammad excused himself to take long-distance calls. As the evening waned, he occasionally gave a glimpse of his dreams. "What 20 million Negroes could finance for themselves with just a dollar apiece a month!" he once exclaimed. Again, he mused, "—a million black people under the Crescent . . ."

Among every 300 Negroes there is one registered Muslim—anti-white, anti-Christian, resentful, militant, disciplined—and sworn to follow Elijah Muhammad to the death. How far can he go?

In Chicago, Detroit, Washington, Philadelphia and New York, I talked with top-caliber Negro professional men, with scholars and executives to whom the mere thought of cult membership is repugnant. I heard unanimous denunciation of the anti-white, anti-Christian aspects of the Muslim program. Yet all these people felt that beyond doubt Muhammad is a figure to be reckoned with—because there is so much truth in his charges.

As long as inequity persists in our democratic system, Elijah Muhammad—or some variation of him—will be able to solicit among the Negro population enough followers to justify the title, "the most powerful black man in America." It is important for Christianity and democracy to help remove the Negroes' honest grievances and thus eliminate the appeal of such a potent racist cult.



70,000 Negroes. (These should not be confused with the 33,000 true Moslems in America.) He has established over 50 "Temples of Islam" and numerous smaller missions that operate in rented quarters or private homes, in 27 states—north and south, and coast to coast. The largest are in Chicago, Detroit and New York; the fastest-growing, in Los Angeles, Atlanta and Miami. In addition, there are in Chicago and Detroit two "Universities of Islam"—the latter accredited through ninth grade—where "Future Leaders of Islam" attend classes 50 weeks a year, and third-graders start learning Arabic.

In an effort to eliminate Negro dependence on whites, Muhammad promotes Muslim-owned and patronized businesses: dress shops, barbershops, groceries, dry cleaners, restaurants, bakeries, a department store, apartment buildings. Now in the financing stage is a Chicago "Islamic Center," which will cover two city blocks and cost 20 million dollars.

His appeal seems to be chiefly among the great masses of Negroes who have migrated to large cities and have been unable to acquire satisfactory new identities. To these, he offers a new way of life—a militant and arrogant black unity. "This is a fast-growing form of black fascism," says Father William McPeak of All Saints' Parish, Harlem. Dr. J. Oscar Lee, of the National Council of Churches, says, "The doctrine used is most dangerous. But we are forced

to concede that its followers get a new pride and purpose."

When I went to hear Mr. Muhammad, New York's 5000-seat St. Nicholas Arena was packed. The floor was lined with standees; 1000 of the faithful were in the basement and many more were outside. They would hear the message on loud-speakers.

The meeting was opened by Wallace D. Muhammad, one of Muhammad's six sons. Next to speak was Muhammad's tall, whip-smart assistant, a New York minister named "Malcolm X." He had been serving a sentence for larceny in the Charlestown, Mass., state prison when he was converted.

"When I was a Christian I was a criminal. I was only doing what the white man taught me," Malcolm X was saying calmly, conversationally.

Suddenly, shouting rose from the audience. From the rear marched two double rows of Muslim men. Between them walked a meek-looking little man wearing a blue suit and an embroidered pillbox fez.

Malcolm X waved furiously to stop the wild ovation. Then he introduced the shy-looking little man as "the *boldest* black man in America... the most *powerful* black man in America... the *smartest* black man in America."

Muhammad took the rostrum. For two hours he shouted such statements as: "Everybody has failed the Negro!... Christianity has failed!... the FBI has failed! Christianity

what Allah has given in the cause of truth; speak truth despite circumstances; keep clean internally and externally; love the brother or sister believer as oneself; be kind; kill no one whom Allah has not ordered to be killed; worship no God but Allah; fear no one but Allah; never be the aggressor, but always defend yourself if attacked.

In other edicts that alter personal habits, Muhammad prompts even his severest critics to agree when he says he attacks "traditional reasons the Negro race is weak." Alcohol, tobacco, drugs are banned, along with swearing, gambling and dancing. A Muslim woman may not use cosmetics; she may never be alone in a room with any man but her husband. Old friends of new Muslims are astounded at the incredible changes of personality which take place as converts swap lifelong habits for new spartan standards.

Adult Muslims attend classes one night a week. Men take "physical hygiene"—body-building, military drilling and judo. Selected students between 18 and 30 compose the elite corps, "Fruit of Islam," who travel in chartered buses to wherever Muhammad speaks.

"It's nothing more than you find in the YMCA, CYO, Masons or Boy Scouts," New York minister Malcolm X said of "physical hygiene." But law-enforcement officials view it differently. New York City deputy police commissioner Walter Arm points out that in emotionally tense minority communi-

ties, a Muslim interpretation of "defend yourself," backed by the well-trained "Fruit of Islam," could easily ignite a riot.

I applied through Malcolm X to interview the leader, and flew to Chicago to be available when his heavy schedule would permit an appointment. Elijah Muhammad had come a long way from Sandersville, Ga., where, in October 1897, he was christened Elijah Poole, the son of a Baptist minister.

After an eighth-grade education, Elijah moved to Detroit where, he says, he met "Allah in Person" in 1931. This was a man named Fard Muhammad—"the first and only man born in Mecca who came to America for the express purpose of teaching the so-called Negro." Fard Muhammad allegedly tutored Elijah, who then founded the first Temple of Islam, in Detroit. Moving later to Chicago, Elijah was arrested for lecturing against Negroes' fighting "the white man's war." Absolved of sedition but found guilty of draft-dodging, he served three years in the Federal Correction Institution at Milan, Mich.

Released in 1946, he concentrated on grooming dedicated assistants. The staff has at its core Muhammad's six sons. A son-in-law, 210-pound Raymond Sharrieff, is "Supreme Captain" of the "Fruit of Islam." Malcolm X is an ubiquitous aide-de-camp who flies about the United States counseling city and territorial ministers, who in turn designate subordinate lieutenants,

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March 20, 1960

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Chief of
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, District of Columbia

My dear Mr Hoover,

The enclosed article in the March Reader's Digest, to me is frightening. This man could be a very effective tool of the Communist Party here in the United States.

Is there anything that could be done to check him, before he does any more damage?

May I also take this opportunity to thank you for the remarkable piece of work that your department under your leadership does for us and our country.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Elijah Muhammed

Schuylkill Haven, Pennsylvania

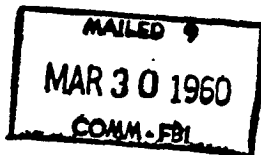
Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter dated March 20, 1960, with its enclosure, has been received and the interest which prompted your communication is appreciated.

In response to your inquiry, I would like to advise that, while it is not possible to disclose information from the files of the FBI, you may rest assured that matters relating to the internal security of this country and violations of Federal statutes under our jurisdiction are afforded prompt and thorough attention.

I have noted your kind personal remarks and they are indeed gratifying. I trust that the work of the FBI will always merit your support.

Sincerely yours,



John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Philadelphia (Enclosure) (See Note Page Two)

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NOTE FOR SAC, PHILADELPHIA:

Enclosed is a copy of correspondent's communication. Bureau files contain no identifiable information concerning the correspondent.

The enclosure to correspondent's communication consists of an article pertaining to the Nation of Islam entitled "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" which appeared in the March, 1960, issue of "Reader's Digest."

The Nation of Islam is the subject of a current Bureau investigation.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

b7C [REDACTED] In commenting on the article pertaining to Muhammad which she enclosed in her letter, correspondent remarked that he could be an effective tool of the Communist Party. She inquired as to whether there is anything which could be done to check him before he does more damage. She expressed her thanks for the remarkable work of the Bureau under the leadership of the Director.

Elijah Muhammad is the national leader of the Nation of Islam. The article in "Reader's Digest" describes the Nation of Islam as a violently antiwhite, anti-Christian cult and refers to Muhammad as the most powerful black man in America.

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4/4/60

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-35635)

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b7C [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on 3/29/60 [redacted] of Los Angeles, California, was in long distance contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. MUHAMMAD stated he planned to arrive in Los Angeles on either Friday or Saturday and that Brother JOHN (possibly JOHN 11X SIMMONS of Temple No. 7 in New York City, who has recently been named as the national secretary of the Nation of Islam) had indicated that a meeting would be held in one of the churches. [redacted] stated that arrangements have not been made as Brother JOHN has no credit to work with in Los Angeles.

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 - 3 - Los Angeles (105-2604)(info)(RM)
(1 - 100- [redacted])
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 - 1 - New York (info)(RM)
(1 - 100-) (JOHN 11X SIMMONS)
 - 3 - Chicago
(1 - 100-6989)(ELIJAH MUHAMMAD)
(1 - 100-32519)(CLARA MUHAMMAD)

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MUHAMMAD stated that [REDACTED] is supposed to be making some arrangements and he instructed [REDACTED] to get in touch with her because she has the means (money). MUHAMMAD indicated he wanted to have three or four meetings (not of the mass type) from Sunday through Wednesday. [REDACTED] stated that with publication of MUHAMMAD's visit they would be able to have 12,000 or 13,000 people.

[REDACTED] advised that on 3/29/60 [REDACTED] of Los Angeles, California, was in long distance contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and indicated she had talked with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated she had found a nice two bedroom furnished house and a three bedroom unfurnished house way out on 126th Street. [REDACTED] stated she would work with [REDACTED] on the coming trip. MUHAMMAD instructed [REDACTED] to give "themselves" another week on the publicity and stated he wanted the largest possible turnout.

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[REDACTED] advised that on 3/29/60 CLARA MUHAMMAD (phonetic - ELIJAH MUHAMMAD) was in long distance contact from Atlanta, Georgia with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. CLARA stated [REDACTED] is living with [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stated that his trip for this weekend had been postponed until "maybe" next weekend as "they" are not prepared. MUHAMMAD then spoke to [REDACTED] and stated that Chicago is doing the best it has in the last 20 years; that the class "we" have been after is waking up; that "we're finally taking Chicago at last"; and that they are all in "our" corner either openly or secretly.

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[REDACTED] advised that on 3/30/60 [REDACTED] of Los Angeles, California, was in long distance contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated that everything will be all set up for next week; that he has one of the largest churches in Los Angeles arranged for from 1:30 to 4:30 PM on April 10, 1960, and then has three other meetings set up for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday; that he has arranged for several live TV appearances for ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. MUHAMMAD stated he would go directly to [REDACTED] place upon his arrival in Los Angeles.

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In the event any further pertinent information regarding this proposed trip on the part of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is received, it will be promptly disseminated to the Bureau and to Los Angeles.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
American Embassy
Paris 8, France

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Date: March 31, 1960
To: Director, FBI (105-24822) APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
From: Legat, Paris (105-934) ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF *[Signature]*
Subject: ELIJAH MUHAMMAD DATE *4/2/82 [Signature]*
INTERNAL SECURITY - NATION OF ISLAM

Re Chicago memorandum dated 1/13/60 which was
enclosed with Bureau routing slip dated 1/25/60.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*

DATE: May 20, 1960

FROM : Mr. J. F. Bland *JFB*SUBJECT: ELIJAH MUHAMMAD
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Elijah Muhammad is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI) and Evelyn Lorene Williams is one of his secretaries. Both are on the Security Index. Williams disappeared from Elijah's home during January, 1960, and was subsequently located in Los Angeles. Los Angeles recently ascertained she had been a patient at St. Francis Hospital at Lynwood, California, and had given birth to a child on March 30, 1960. She is unmarried.

OBSERVATION:RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the growth of the NOI and Muhammad's following, it is recommended this memorandum and the attached be referred to Assistant Director DeLoach for his consideration.

Enclosure *original attached*105-24822
105-38394

- 1 - Mr. Parsons
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Gregg
- 1 - Mr. Putnam
- 1 - Mr. Forsyth

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1 - Mr. Parsons
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1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Casper
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May 20, 1960

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD

Despite the highly stated aims, purposes and ideals frequently spouted by Elijah Muhammad, the national leader of the Nation of Islam and self-proclaimed messenger of Allah, there appears to be a tremendous occupational hazard in being a young unmarried secretary employed in the household of Elijah Muhammad.

Once again the hand of fate has interfered in the tranquility of this "religious group" who profess high morals and clean living. One of Elijah's secretaries recently disappeared from the fold. When next heard of she was a patient at a Los Angeles hospital. On March 30, 1960, this young unmarried secretary gave birth to a bouncing, beautiful, brown eyed, brown haired daughter.

Could this have been the reason Elijah cut short his visit to Los Angeles, canceled his speaking engagements and announced he had to return to Chicago "due to pressing business?"

Elijah Muhammad has, on numerous occasions in his rantings and writings, preached against extra marital relationships but he doesn't seem to be able to keep things under control in his own household.

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1 - 105-38394 (Evelyn Lorene Williams)

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

See memo Bland to Belmont dated 5-20-60, captioned "Elijah Muhammad, Internal Security - NOI; Evelyn Lorene Williams, Security Matter - NOI." WTF:jbm.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-26635)
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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD on 5/20/60 was in contact with [redacted] in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. MUHAMMAD instructed [redacted] to tell WALLACE P. MUHAMMAD, who is minister of MUHAMMAD's Temple of Islam #12 in Philadelphia, to instruct sister [redacted] to prepare a speech for when they go to Boston on the 12th and Baltimore on the 19th.

Chicago will closely follow and disseminate any pertinent information in this regard. Full dissemination of the above follows:

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Copies of this communication are being sent to Buffalo, New Haven and Albany since it is likely that NOI members from these offices might attend some of the meetings scheduled above.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-35635)

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[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information
in the past and who is close to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, furnished on
August 11, 1960, the below information regarding a conversa-
tion between ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and [REDACTED] a member
of the Nation of Islam (NOI) at Muhammad's Temple of Islam #2

[REDACTED] : You know I had a funny dream last night. In
the dream FIDEL CASTRO came to see you.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD: There may be something to that. I got a message that they would pay all expenses of a number of my followers and myself to come there for a visit. So, there may be something to that. UH, you know what I told you to get to carry in your purse?

[REDACTED] Yes.

b7C ELIJAH MUHAMMAD: I can get you one very easily. A lot of people carry them.

[REDACTED] But won't I need a license?

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD: No, just don't let anyone know about it.

The above is the first indication Chicago has had from its confidential informants and other sources, who are in a position to report on activities of the NOI at Muhammad's Temple of Islam #2 and who are close to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, to the effect that representatives of the CASTRO movement may have been in contact with MUHAMMAD. Close contact will be maintained with all sources in this matter and any additional information received will be promptly furnished to the Bureau.

Chicago did not prepare a letterhead memorandum on this information. This decision was based on the fact that it cannot be determined whether the message MUHAMMAD stated he received was of a spiritual type or was, in fact, actual. Chicago felt in view of this and in view of the delicacy of the source, the Bureau may not want to disseminate said information.

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As noted, the above conversation would indicate that MUHAMMAD was attempting to get [REDACTED] to carry a gun. Chicago requests that the Bureau advise whether or not the Chicago Police Department should be provided with this information.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 3/3/60, at Chicago.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will continue to follow and report the activities of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in the Nation of Islam (NOI).

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One copy of this report is designated for each G-2, ONI, and OSI, Chicago, Illinois, to fulfill Bureau responsibility under the delimitations agreement.

SA [REDACTED] observed ELIJAH MUHAMMAD at his residence on 8/2/60. **b7C**

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Copies of the Certificates of Incorporation of
MUHAMMAD's Temple No. 2 of the Holy Temple of Islam are
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 4. ☒ A suitable photograph ☒ is ☐ is not available.
 5. ☒ Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.
 6. ☐ Subject is employed in a key facility and is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are _____
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8. ☐ Subject previously interviewed (dates) _____
☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) _____

he is the National Leader of the NOI. There is no indication he would be co-operative.

9. ☐ This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
 10. ☒ This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) _____

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the National Leader of the NOI, a nationalistic organization.

11. ☒ Subject's SI card ☒ is ☐ is not tabbed Detcom.
☒ Subject's activities ☒ do ☐ do not warrant Detcom tabbing.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION~~CONFIDENTIAL~~Copy to: 1 - G-2, Chicago (RM)
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1 - OSI, Chicago (RM)Report of: SA [REDACTED] b7C
Date: Sept. 2, 1960

Office: Chicago, Illinois

Field Office File #: Chicago 100-6989

Bureau File #: 105-24822

Title: ELIJAH POOLE

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

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Synopsis:

ELIJAH POOLE, also known as ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and ELIJAH MOHAMMED, is the National Leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); headquartered at Chicago, Illinois. He resides at 4847 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, Illinois, and maintains a private personal apartment at 8205 S. Vernon Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

[REDACTED]

MUHAMMAD has utilized the press and radio to reach the so-called Negroes to teach them the "truth" of Islam. MUHAMMAD and his followers may place their weight behind leaders in the fall elections who will help the economic conditions and get complete freedom for the American Negroes.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The following organizations which are referred to throughout this report and which have not been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450 are characterized in the Appendix Section:

Fruit of Islam (FOI)
Muslim Girls Training (MGT)
Nation of Islam (NOI)

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I. BACKGROUND

A. Residence

On August 2, 1960, a Special Agent of the FBI observed ELIJAH MUHAMMAD at his residence, 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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The 1960-61 Chicago Telephone Directory, corrected to May 12, 1960, contains no listing for ELIJAH MUHAMMAD or ELIJAH MOHAMMED, 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

ELIJAH MOHAMMED has unlisted telephone number DRexel 3-0234 at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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Mrs.
CLARA MUHAMMAD, wife of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, advised HERBERT MUHAMMAD, a son, in the latter part of January, 1960, that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's telephone number "out there" is HUDSON 3-6531.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, National Leader of the NOI, maintains a private personal office at Apartment 1, first floor, 8205 South Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He has an unlisted telephone, HUDSON 3-6531.

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During the first part of August, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD referred to the apartment at 8205 South Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as "my little office."

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B. Employment

As reported elsewhere in this report, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the National Leader of the NOI.

C.

On July 20, 1960, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, provided to IC [redacted] for ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] contained no pertinent information which has not been previously reported.

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D. Criminal

The files of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, Chicago, Illinois, contain no criminal record identifiable with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD when reviewed by IC [redacted] on August 10, 1960.

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E. Relatives

RAYMOND SHARRIEFF is the Supreme Captain of the FOI of the NOI. He is a son-in-law of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the Messenger of Allah, having married MUHAMMAD's daughter, ETHEL. *Michael Shariff*

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F. Miscellaneous

1. Automobiles

On April 19, 1960, [REDACTED] Auto Registration Section, Department of State, Centennial Building, Springfield, Illinois, advised SA [REDACTED] that the following 1960 Illinois passenger car licenses expiring December 31, 1960, were issued to ELIJAH (no middle name) MOHAMMED, 4847 South Woodlawn, Chicago 15, Illinois, on December 8, 1959:

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<u>License</u>	<u>Auto</u>	<u>Factory or Serial Number</u>
560-877	1959 Cadillac sedan	59M 002377
560-878	1956 Cadillac "Sed. de Ville"	5662-067029

The written signature of the owner appeared on the licenses as, "ELIJAH MOHAMMED."

II. CONNECTIONS WITH THE NOI

A. [REDACTED]

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In February, 1960, a brother told ELIJAH MUHAMMAD that the believers in South Bend and Michigan City, Indiana, sent their greetings to MUHAMMAD. The brother asked if they could get a number for their Temple and MUHAMMAD said he would check the followers by name and see how many have been attending meetings regularly. MUHAMMAD stated that if he felt there were enough attending all the time, they would get a number.

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On March 16, 1960, [REDACTED] contacted ELIJAH MUHAMMAD regarding a deposition of MUHAMMAD's regarding an \$8,000 law suit. The MUHAMMAD's Temple, a religious corporation, is represented by Attorneys MCCOY, MING, and LEIGHTON.

MUHAMMAD advised [REDACTED] that he is the religious and spiritual leader of MUHAMMAD's Temple No. 2 of the Temple of Islam, an Illinois religious corporation. He related that the business affairs are carried on by its Board of Trustees, of which he is not a member. b7C

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The February 22, 1960, two-star final edition of the "Daily Defender," a daily newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois, carried an article entitled, "Muslims File Poster Law Suit." The article reflects that the Muslims filed a \$10,000 punitive damage suit in conjunction with another action claiming discrimination because of religion against the Chicago Car Advertising Company (CCA) and the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA). The suit charged that the CTA and the CCA canceled a contract and refused to display posters on February 2, 1960, advertising a religious convention at the Chicago Coliseum in February, 1960. Attorney CHAUNCEY ESKRIDGE of the firm of MING, MOORE, and LEIGHTON were reported to represent MUHAMMAD. III

The 1960-61 Chicago Telephone Directory, corrected to May 12, 1960, reflects a listing for one CHAUNCEY ESKRIDGE, lawyer, 123 West Madison Street, Chicago, telephone number FRanklin 2-1106; residence 6412 South South Park, NORmal 7-4335. Also listed is the law firm of MCCOY, (FLEETWOOD M.), MING, (WILLIAM R., JR.), and LEIGHTON (GEORGE N.), 123 West Madison, telephone number FRanklin 2-1106. D.C.

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It is noted that Certificate Number 16 432 414, Corporations Book 2553, page 511, on file at the Cook County Recorder's Office, Chicago, Illinois, reflects that on November 28, 1955, ELIJAH MUHAMMED subscribed and swore before WILLIAM H. BROWN, Notary Public, that at a meeting of

the members of the Holy Temple of Islam held at 5335 Greenwood Street, in the city of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois, on November 20, 1955, ELIJAH MOHAMMED and JOHN HASSAN were elected trustees according to the rules and usages of such congregation. The congregation adopted as its corporate name, "Holy Temple of Islam." The affiant ELIJAH MOHAMMED acted as secretary at the meeting.

By affidavit issued on February 28, 1957, Certificate Number 16846736, Corporations Book 2711, page 398, JOHN HASSAN stated that at a meeting of the Holy Temple of Islam held at the above-mentioned location on January 28, 1957, for the purpose of amending the original affidavit of incorporation, it was resolved that the original affidavit of incorporation be amended to show the corporate name of the congregation is changed from, "Holy Temple of Islam," to "MUHAMMAD's Temple #2 of the Holy Temple of Islam."

B. Attendance at Meetings

1. Annual Muslim Convention, 1960, Chicago, Illinois

It is publicly known that the Annual Muslim Convention of MUHAMMAD's Temples of Islam was held during the period February 26, 1960, through February 28, 1960, at the Chicago Coliseum, 1513 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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The March 2, 1960, Owl edition of the "Daily Defender," Part 1, Page 4, Column 3, carried an article by BAKER E. MORTON entitled, "Muslim Chief Declares White Man is Doomed."

According to this newspaper article, Messenger ELIJAH MUHAMMAD told his followers Monday during his final address to the three-day 30th Annual Convention of MUHAMMAD's Temples of Islam at the Chicago Coliseum that, "Christianity

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should be placed in a garbage pail. The white man could not rule the black man if the black man was united against that rule. We have a home.....We can leave, but why should we? Black people built this country with their labor."

Beckoning, MUHAMMAD stated, "Let us get together.... Let us reason together and become a great independent nation."

During his speech, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD related that, " - my message is to separate the so-called Negroes from his slave master, set him in heaven, and his enemies in hell."

MUHAMMAD also spoke of his trip with two of his sons to Africa and Asia stating they had departed New York on November 21, 1959.

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An article entitled, "MUHAMMAD in Boston, Scores Negro Lackies," datelined Boston, June 12, appeared in the June 16, 1960, edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch."

According to the article, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD emphasized during his speech on Sunday at Boston's John Hancock Hall the failure of the Negro educated class, intellectuals and professionals, to provide intelligent militant leadership for the Negro classes. According to the news article, MUHAMMAD cut his lecture short to catch a plane to Chicago due to a pressing schedule.

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A news article, datelined Baltimore, Maryland, June 27, and entitled "MUHAMMAD Hosts 15,000 at Baltimore Meeting," appeared in the June 30, 1960, edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch."

The news article reflects that when ELIJAH MUHAMMAD spoke at the Islamic Temple at 514 Wilson, he stated that the dominance of the white man is coming to an end, and, "The original people of the planet Earth, the black people, are going to take over the rule again." He said, "The end of this work, Armageddon, is already on; it is being fought today."

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D. Legal Representation

A news article datelined January 19 at New York City appearing in the January 21, 1960, edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" entitled, "Muslims Fight Religious Intolerance" and sub-captioned "Negro Muslims Charge Prison Persecution", reflects that even the penal institutions across the nation have felt the "terrific impact" the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD have made on the Negro masses.

According to the news article, four Negro Moslems of Clinton State Prison and followers of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD recently charged that the warden refused to allow them to practice their religion, that they were placed in solitary confinement, and that they were denied the right to correspond with Messenger ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, their religious advisor.

The news article reflects that MUHAMMAD's followers, who are internationally known for their uncompromising legal struggle for justice, are represented in Chicago by the renowned civil rights attorney, ROBERT MING, JR., former Professor of Law at Howard University and former Association Professor at the University of Chicago. The Moslems in Los Angeles have been represented by attorney LOUIS B. BERRY, Howard graduate and former pupil of MING and now a top civil rights lawyer in his own right.

In addition to the above information, the news article reflects that Minister MALCOLM X, Muhammad's Temple of Islam, 102 West 116th Street (New York) said two top New York civil rights lawyers, EDWARD W. JACKO, Jr., 271 West 125th Street and his law partner JAWN A. SANDIFER, both Howard graduates and former pupils of professor

MING had been retained by Muhammad to represent the legal interest of the Moslem inmates (at Clinton) and protect their constitutional rights.

E. Use of Publications and Communications

It is publicly known that articles by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and articles about Islam have recently been carried by the following publications:

The "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch", a weekly newspaper published at Los Angeles, California

The "New Crusader", a weekly newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois. It is self-described as the "militant voice of the people".

The "New Jersey Herald News", a weekly newspaper published at Newark, New Jersey

The "New York Amsterdam News", a weekly newspaper published at New York City, New York

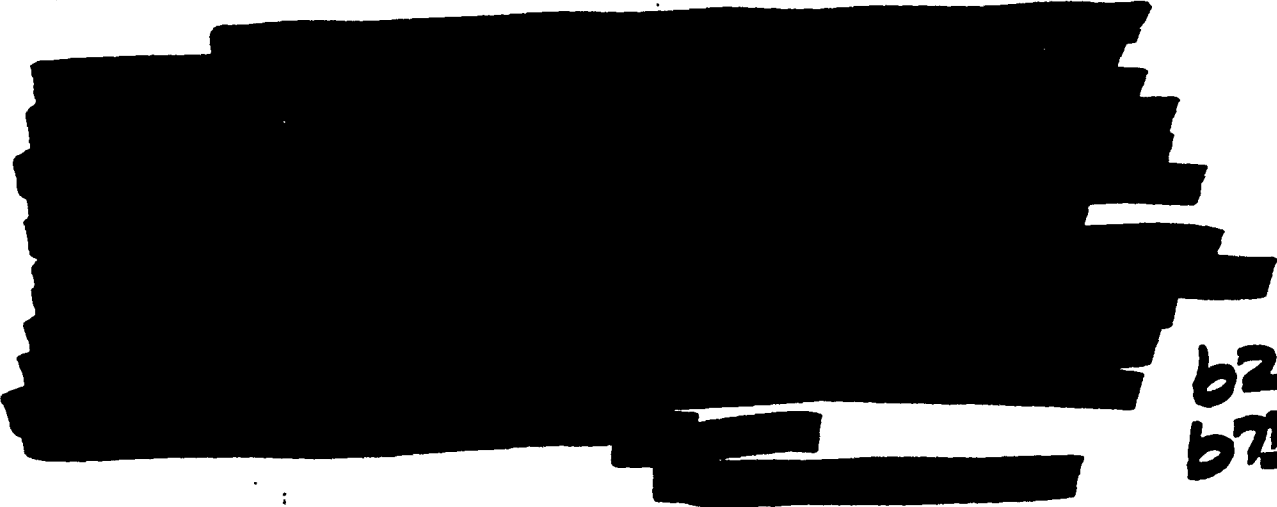
The "St. Louis Argus", a weekly newspaper published at St. Louis, Missouri

The March, 1960 "Readers Digest" also carried on page 100 a five page article by ALEX HALEY entitled "Mr. Muhammad Speaks".

The February 4, 1960, edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" carried an editorial entitled, "The Coming of Elijah", in which it is stated that, "Mr. Muhammad maintains, and the Herald-Dispatch concurs, that the salvation of the so-called American Negro, is unity of purpose. Organization with but one purpose; one goal, spiritually, economically, and politically, such as, embracing the religion, Islam, of our foreparents; building business enterprises among the black race; supporting the so-called Negro businessman; learning self-respect. And above all else, stop begging our oppressor for the crumbs from his table. Prepare for the day when his beast like action against the non-white population of the world will be stopped with force."

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The editorial stated that because of the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and his program of positive action the Herald-Dispatch would give him the highest Achievement award ever given to an individual by the publication on Sunday, February 7, 1960, at the Olympic Auditorium, Grand and 18th Street, Los Angeles, California.



According to an article entitled "Muhammad Holds Non-Racial Press Meet on West Coast", appearing in part 1, page 1, of the February 20, 1960, edition of the "Chicago Defender", a weekly newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD held his first non-racial press conference prior to his recent speech before 5500 persons in the Olympic Auditorium, Los Angeles, California.

This news article reflects that the importance of the press conference was noted by the presence of the Chief of the Time-Life Los Angeles Offices with their photographers, representatives from Newsweek Magazine, all the daily Los Angeles newspapers and all the Negro weekly newspapers in the area. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD answered each of the 99 questions directed at him.

In the latter part of February, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stated that "they" could make the "New Crusader" a great paper just as they are making the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" a great paper.



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On March 5, 1960, [REDACTED] told ELIJAH MUHAMMAD he has connections all over the country. MUHAMMAD stated, "the whole country is what I'm after". MUHAMMAD, in connection with his column told [REDACTED] he has the chance to be the number one man and instructed him to go ahead and shoot with both barrels. MUHAMMAD indicated he had the ammunition, if [REDACTED] could pull the triggers. b7C

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In March, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD said that the articles in the "New Crusader" are not the same as the articles in the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" as in the "New Crusader" he tries to confine his articles to Chicago.

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In about the middle part of March, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was negotiating to write articles for the "St. Louis Argus" newspaper in the St. Louis, Missouri area.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD told [REDACTED] in March, 1960, that he was going to blast the city over the radio on Station WRAW-FM-AM beginning the first Sunday in April from 8:00 to 8:30 PM. b7C

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The April 30, 1960, issue of the "New Crusader", page 14, in a column entitled "Eddie Hawkins, Chicago..." reflects that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was stretching out publication wise. He has a monthly magazine entitled "Salaam" in Philadelphia; one in New York called "Mr. Muhammad Speaks"; and DAN BURLEY is putting out a third, a .15 pocket size magazine, in Chicago twice a month called, "Muhammad Speaks to the Black Men". The first order to the printer for the Chicago magazine, was for 50,000 copies.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in his column, "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" appearing in the May 5, 1960, edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" stated, "The so-called Negroes have been here the same length of time as the Hebrews were in Egypt (400 years). We need to be separated from those whom we have served. We need to be separated from their GOD and their religion. We need a country that we can call our own, where we can serve our GOD and build a government of our own, if we are to ever be at peace with

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On May 23, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, speaking about anticipated radio broadcasts, said that material should be mild like some of his earlier recordings on peace and that all mention of the "devil" should be left out.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stated on May 25, 1960, that he would be busy most of the afternoon that day and the next day cutting tapes for New York, Detroit, Chicago and Philadelphia and then writing his articles.


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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD contacted MALCOLM X, Minister, Temple No. 7, New York, on May 27, 1960, and said the weekend radio broadcast there was cancelled but they would have it next weekend. He indicated he did not have time to prepare the subject like he wanted to but now had four days to prepare it. MUHAMMAD stated they have too much at stake on the East Coast to take a chance of losing it with a hurry up message.

According to MUHAMMAD, a radio man has warned him that radio men there are not going too much for "this radical stuff". MUHAMMAD said the radio man asked him to tell MALCOLM that the best way of winning is to not go into any of that raw stuff in the open. He said to take it very soft and not to hit those hard places like they do in the temple. He stated to be nice about it and they will draw not only on the other fellow's side but will help on our side. MUHAMMAD said to put great emphasis on the good of doing in unity regardless of what religion or faith one belongs. He said it is absolutely essential that they talk to people as brothers in this day and time when the earth is engulfed in a crisis that no one knows what the outcome will be.

MUHAMMAD said that "our" harsh radical stuff will not win that kind of group that you are attacking out there, you are attacking the intellectual group and they just don't go for that kind of stuff. Just tell them that our main trouble is disunity and disunity is caused by lack of knowledge of self.

MUHAMMAD told MALCOLM that they were offering them a 36 week contract that will take them all through the summer. He said that they will have plenty of time to build up to the "hot part of it". MUHAMMAD told MALCOLM that he should soft peddle and should not put any radical brother up there. He said that MALCOLM should tell them that they do not want war and they are working towards peace.

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It is stated in a column by DAN BURLEY entitled, "Muhammad Has 'Em Worried", appearing on page 1 of the May 28, 1960, edition of "New Crusader", that, "... in spite of all attempts by police and federal authorities to block the growth of the Temple of Islam or to shut MUHAMMAD's mouth, the organization is rapidly mushrooming into perhaps the largest all black movement on the North American Continent. Wherever the brilliant, sincere, dedicated, mild mannered little man is heard, or people read his writings, new converts are coming forth to be counted among the Chosen. They have learned that there is no white man alive who can and will tell the so-called Negro what he actually wants and none will tell him truthfully how to get it. But MUHAMMAD not only knows the aim and desires of his people but he also knows how to get

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it and the quickest way to come into possession of this fundamental truth about the black man's true self and destiny."

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in his column, "Mr. Muhammad Speaks", sub-captioned "Robbed and Spoiled" appearing on page 5 of the June 25, 1960, edition of the "New Crusader" stated that, "...there never was and never will be true friendship between the white and the black people regardless of what you try doing to bring it about. Nothing will bring peace between the two but SEPARATION of them".

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD told MALCOLM X (LITTLE), Minister, Muhammad's Temple No. 7, New York City, New York, on May 27, 1960, that there is a big national election coming this fall and they have thousands of followers who they can swing on the side of any good persons who will help the economic condition of the Negro in America. b2

Identical news articles entitled, "10,000 Swell Muslims Rally", appearing in the June 4, 1960, edition of the "New Jersey Herald News" and entitled, "10,000 New Yorkers Cheer Muhammad Rally" appearing on page 3 of the June 4, 1960, edition of the "New Crusader" datelined New York, reflects that at a freedom rally "last Saturday" MALCOLM X said the honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and his thousands of followers will place their weight behind "any fearless black leaders who will stand up and help the so-called American Negro get complete and immediate freedom."

MALCOLM's statement was made just after he reminded the enthusiastic crowd that a big election is coming up this year and then asked what kind of leaders the masses will support.

According to the news articles, the statement increased speculation that the powerful and rapidly growing Muslim movement is preparing to make its weight felt in the heavily populated Negro areas of the north.

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3. Informant Contact

The records of this source, an agency which collects security type information in the Chicago, Illinois area, which contains some information regarding ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, contained no pertinent information as of August 10, 1960, which has not been previously reported.

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4. Other

An article by LESTRE BROWNLEE entitled, "Elijah's Theme - Hate Whites", appeared on page 12 of the February 23, 1960, Diamond final edition of the "Chicago American", a daily

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newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois. This news article reflects that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's brand of Islam differs from orthodox teachings and legitimate Muslims do not recognize ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. As different as it is from other Moslem teachings (Orthodox Mohammedanism) observers say ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's branch of Islam is frighteningly similar to the technique used by HITLER to bring the world to the brink of disaster. The similarities were listed as follows:

"1. Both made a strong appeal to the frustrated, pointing up injustices.

2. Both used hatred to pit one group against another.

3. Both spread the quasi-religious doctrine of racial superiority.

4. Both attacked Christianity and Democracy as incompetent to solve problems.

5. Both used the approach of a demagog.

6. Both demanded fierce loyalty of followers.

7. Both started inside the framework of the law.

8. Both indoctrinated youth.

9. Both built an elite guard.

10. Both allied their causes with other nations which had similar doctrines - in MUHAMMAD's case, with the rising tide of nationalism in Africa today."

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told ELIJAH MUHAMMAD on March 3, 1960, that people who are in good positions could make sizeable contributions to any program and that he was going to put MUHAMMAD in contact with such people. [REDACTED] mentioned ADAM POWELL, who MUHAMMAD said he had not met. [REDACTED] said he would put POWELL, who was

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to be in Chicago in May for the "Crusader" exposition, in MUHAMMAD's lap. MUHAMMAD said POWELL was one man he "would like to get to".

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It is publicly known that ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. is a United States Congressman from the State of New York.

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APPENDIX

ORGANIZATIONS AND/OR PUBLICATIONS

The following organizations and/or publications, which have been utilized in this report and which have not been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order #10450, are characterized in the attached appendix pages.

FRUIT OF ISLAM

On May 18, 1960, a source advised that the Fruit of Islam (FOI) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) composed of male members of the NOI. The purpose of the FOI is to protect officials and property of the NOI, assure compliance of members with NOI teachings and to prepare for the "War of Armageddon". Members of the FOI are required to participate in military drill and are afforded the opportunity to engage in judo training. The FOI is governed by a military system wherein the members are controlled by general orders similar to those issued by regular military organizations.

MUSLIM GIRLS TRAINING

On May 19, 1960, a source advised that the Muslim Girls Training (MGT) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) and is composed of all female members of the NOI. The MGT is similar in structure to the Fruit of Islam (FOI), which is composed of male members of the NOI, in that the MGT has officers similar to military organizations to whom other female members are accountable. MGT members receive instructions in homemaking, hygiene, calisthenics, and other subjects such as Muslim history and the English language. There also exists a Junior MGT, which is composed of female members of the NOI who are between the ages of 15 and 19 and who are afforded military-type drill.

Since 1957, various officers and "sisters" of the MGT have, at meetings of the MGT, used the term MGT so that it also means General Civilization Class. General Civilization Class refers to classes conducted within the MGT.

The above refers to activities of the MGT at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois.

On May 16, 1960, another source advised that the MGT is a group within the NOI which is composed of all female members of the NOI. The MGT is similar in structure to the FOI, which is composed of male members of the NOI. In theory, the MGT exists in all Temples of the NOI and is patterned after the MGT at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, Chicago. General Civilization Class refers to the collective group of classes held within the MGT.

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Members following MUHAMMAD's teaching and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils," in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

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Chicago, Illinois
Sept 2 1960

ELIJAH POOLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

b7C [REDACTED] Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated and captioned as above.

All confidential sources and informants [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] utilized in the referenced report have furnished reliable information in the past.

[REDACTED] is a source who is in a position to furnish reliable information.

[REDACTED] is an informant of unknown reliability.

[REDACTED] is an agency that collects security type information in the Chicago area.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-4593)
SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM
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Re my airtel 8/23/60; Bureau airtel 8/25/60; Bureau teletype 9/12/60, and Atlanta teletype 9/12/60.


Enclosed herewith are seven copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination concerning the appearance of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in Atlanta, Ga., on 9/11/60. Three copies of the letterhead memorandum are being forwarded to Chicago with its copies of this airtel.

Informants used in the enclosed letterhead memo are as follows:

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Information concerning those persons attending the meeting from the various divisions will be furnished to those divisions by a separate communication.



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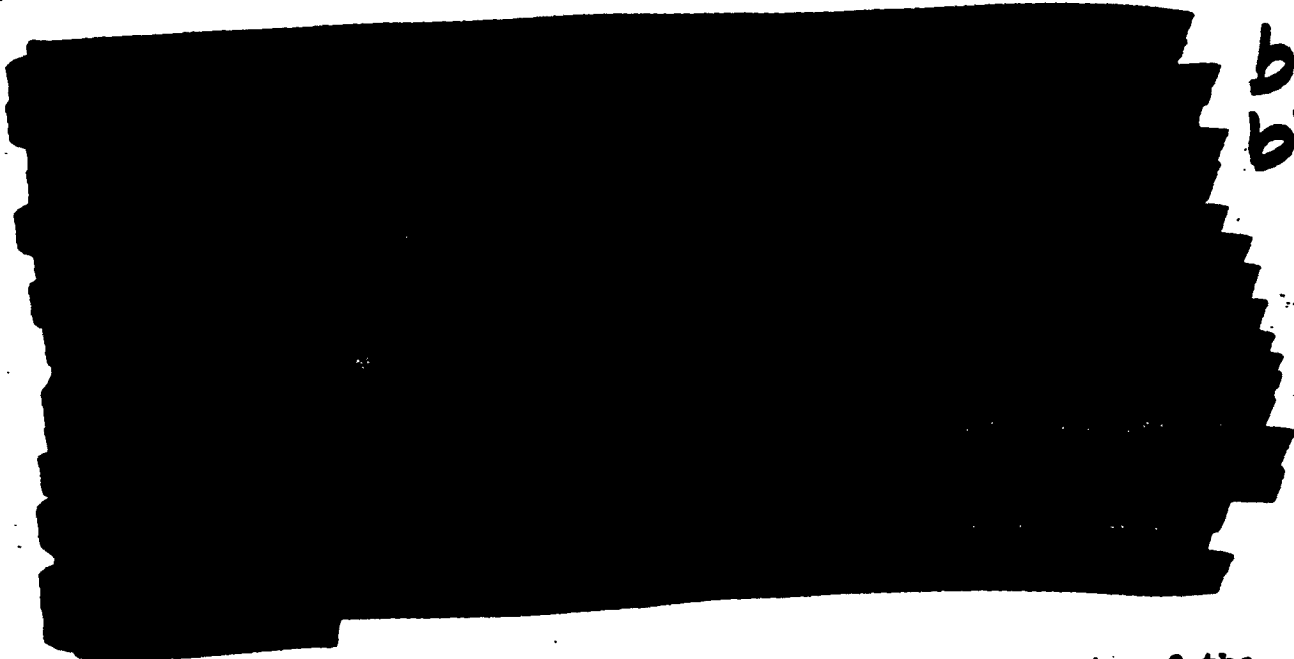
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September 14, 1960

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NATION OF ISLAM
INTERNAL SECURITY -
NATION OF ISLAM

Appearance of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in
Atlanta, Georgia, on September 11, 1960



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Shortly after noon on September 11, 1960, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and a party of twenty disembark from a plane at Atlanta Municipal Airport. The group was observed to join with Minister JEREMIAH PUGH and a few others and then travelled by car to the Magnolia Ballroom.

At the Magnolia Ballroom it was observed that several hundred males dressed in dark blue suits, white shirts, and red ties were drawn up in two lines extending for approximately one block on each side of the Magnolia Ballroom. It was observed that three males similarly dressed were patrolling the roof of the Magnolia Ballroom.

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NATION OF ISLAM



Radio Station WERD, Atlanta, Georgia, carried one hour of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's speech from 3:15 p.m., to 4:15 p.m., on September 11, 1960. During this portion of his speech MUHAMMAD stated in substance as follows:

The black man in North America are not Negroes, but are members of the tribe of SHABAZZ and are Asiatic in origin. The white slavemasters in the United States have robbed the black man of all knowledge of himself. The black man in America has nothing and I will give my life to bring him freedom, justice, and equality. The black man must become economically independent from the white man. During the 400 years the black man has been in North America, the white man has made the black man mentally weak by feeding him the flesh of the swine. This mental weakening has caused the black man to lose all knowledge of his language, his culture, and his God. The Nation of Islam is trying to unite all black men in North America. I myself was in the presence of God whose true name is ALLAH for three years and was taught by him face to face for that period. I have suffered because I have taught the black man the things told me by ALLAH. I served 3½ or more years in Federal Prison for teaching Islam and I also served six months in jail. I am teaching freedom, justice and equality for the black man. The black man is not now free. Fear keeps him in slavery and fear keeps him from accepting Islam. The black man has accepted Christianity, the white man's religion, even though he does not understand it. He has been misled by the black Christian ministers. These black Christian ministers are told what to say by the white man and the most frequent text they use is, "Servant obey your master." Christianity is false because it teaches that Jesus was born with a spirit for a father and everyone knows that is impossible. If the spirit of God could make a woman pregnant, then all Christian women would be having spirit children.

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People told me that I should not come to Georgia as it would be a waste of time because the black man in Georgia is scared of the white man. I want to tell the black man in Georgia that he has nothing to fear from the white man because in unity there is strength. The so-called Negro in Georgia must unite and accept Islam. The average so-called Negro in Georgia has an annual income of only \$1340. He must build factories and schools and make himself independent. He must stop licking the white man's boots and begging the white man for integration. Here in Atlanta the black man has five universities who turn out numerous graduates each year. These educated black men must use their education to create jobs for other black men and thus make them independent from the white man.

I believe in total separation of the races. If God had intended for the black man to be white and vice versa he would have made them that way. The white man in the South will never accept integration and I don't blame him.



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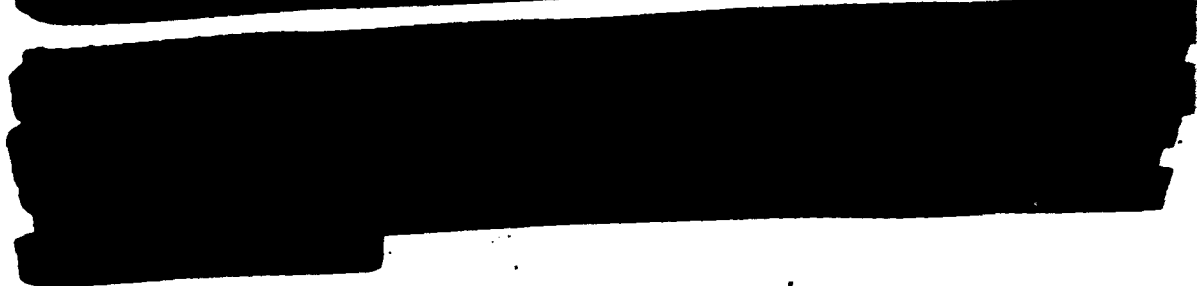

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MUHAMMAD's TEMPLE OF ISLAM #15
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A source advised on May 26, 1960, that Muhammad's Temple of Islam #15, Atlanta, Georgia, is currently active and is holding meetings at 444½ Edgewood Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

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REGISTERED MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-35638)
SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM
INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI
O.O. Chicago

Re WFO airtel 12/1/60 to Director.

b2 [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 12/8/60 that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stated he was going to Temple No. 4 this weekend; that "it" seats 300.

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Chicago notes that [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 12/8/60 that [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] from the "N.G." (possibly the Muslim Girls Training) were going Saturday. The exact meaning of this is not known; however, if it does apply to instant trip to Washington, D. C., it could indicate ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and a small group of NOI members may go to Washington, D. C., by personal automobile on Saturday.

All sources have been alerted in this matter. Any specific data received will be promptly furnished WFO by airtel. It is not felt travel plans by MUHAMMAD in this specific instance warrants use of letterhead memorandum.

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Director, FBI (105-24822)

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Subject is on the Security Index. He is the
national leader of the Nation of Islam and resides at
4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

(File 105-24822) DATE: MARCH 1, 1961

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

(File 100-6989)

SUBJECT: Elijah Poole, aka
IS-NOI.

This case will be delinquent.

Date of Bureau deadline: Semi-ANNUAL report due 3/2/61.

Reason for the delinquency: Report in preparation. Agent working
on ANNUAL MOSLEM CONVENTION AND
attending IN-SERVICE 3/6-17/61.

Date the report or necessary communication
will reach the Bureau: 4/7/61.

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UNITED STATES

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 105-24822)

DATE: March 29, 1961

FROM : SAC CHICAGO 100-6989

SUBJECT: ELIJAH POOLE, aka.
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☐ It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

☒ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows (specify change only):

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Aliases Add: ELIJAH KARRIEM	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Native Born	<input type="checkbox"/> Naturalized
<input type="checkbox"/> Communist	<input type="checkbox"/> Socialist Workers Party
<input type="checkbox"/> Independent Socialist League	
<input type="checkbox"/> Miscellaneous (specify)	
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Date of Birth	Place of Birth
Business Address (show name of employing concern and address) Add: Also, Apt. 1, 1st floor, 8205 South Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. (Private personal office)	
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REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE 4-7-61	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/24/61 - 3/27/61
TITLE OF CASE CHANGED, ELIJAH POOLE, Aka., Elijah Karriem		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] b7C	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI	

The title of this case has been changed to add the alias "ELIJAH KARRIEM" used by subject in the past.

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 9/2/60, at Chicago.

LEAD

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, will continue to follow and report the activities of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in the Nation of Islam (NOI).

ADMINISTRATIVE

One copy of this report is designated for each G-2, ONI and OSI, Chicago, Illinois, to fulfill Bureau responsibility under the delimitations agreement.

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9. ☐ This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the National Leader of the NOI, an extreme black nationalistic organization.

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Title: ELIJAH POOLE

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

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Synopsis:

ELIJAH POOLE, also known as ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, ELIJAH MOHAMMED and as ELIJAH KARRIEM, in the past, is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI), headquartered at Chicago, Illinois. He resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and maintains a private personal apartment at 8205 South Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

MUHAMMAD continues to utilize the press and radio to reach the so-called Negroes to teach them the "truth" of Islam. Radio broadcasts are reportedly being made by MUHAMMAD from about 73 radio stations throughout the United States.

Persons associated with Communism are reportedly aware of and interested in ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and the Nation of Islam.

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DETAILS:

The Communist Party, USA, (CP), has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The following organizations referred to in this report which have not been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450, are characterized elsewhere in this report:

Fruit of Islam (FOI)

Muslim Girls Training (MGT)

Nation of Islam (NOI)

Washington Park Forum (WPF)

Women's Peace and Unity Club (WPUC)

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I BACKGROUND

A. Residence

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ELIJAH MOHAMMED has unlisted telephone number DRexel 3-0234 on his residence, 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD maintains a private personal office at apartment one, first floor, 8205 South Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He has unlisted telephone number HUDson 3-6531.

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On July 8, 1960, [REDACTED] said he was moving to the third floor of 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, and would share the telephone DRexel 3-0234 with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. [REDACTED] wanted his telephone number [REDACTED] disconnected.

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B. Employment

As reported elsewhere in this report, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the National Leader of the Nation of Islam.

C. Criminal

On August 18, 1960, a [REDACTED] contacted ELIJAH MUHAMMAD regarding "that Monroe, Louisiana matter" and the possible initiation of a law suit. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD said two or three more papers and magazines were speaking of a time when he was arrested. MUHAMMAD stated he committed himself to arrest in about April, 1934, and

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was in Chicago teaching at the time the police and the Superintendent of the State Board of Education raided "our" school and arrested all of the teachers, some nine or ten of them. MUHAMMAD related that after the teachers had been arrested he returned from Chicago the next morning, as he had not moved to Chicago at the time, and he learned on his return, that they had raided the school and arrested the teachers. According to MUHAMMAD, he then committed himself to arrest because they had arrested the school and whatever the school was charged with, "we", MUHAMMAD, and his brother, were charged with the same thing.

MUHAMMAD stated that they arrested the school on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor because "they" had gone to the public school and invited the children there to join up with the Islamic school. MUHAMMAD said the charge was dropped because it was all false and not one of those arrested had done such thing. MUHAMMAD continued that an officer was found guilty of making false statements against them and the thing was dropped but they put him on six months probation so they could find a way of putting the children in his school back into the public school in Detroit.

MUHAMMAD stated that his school was not accredited at the time and they tried to get him to break the school up. MUHAMMAD said that at the time he was given six months probation, he was told by the judge that he would have six months to find a way to put the children of the Islamic school back into the public school. MUHAMMAD added that he moved to Chicago when he served about five months of his probation because he was still teaching here. He stated that when he went back to make the next to the last report, they dismissed the whole thing and told him that his probation was up because he had moved out of the city. MUHAMMAD stated that the charge he is accused of in the paper, is in a language which would make the public think the "contributing to the delinquency of a minor" was something else but it was nothing but the charge against him and the school for enticing the children of the public school to enroll in the Islamic school.

[REDACTED] told MUHAMMAD that they would like to know whether MUHAMMAD would want preparation of a suit on these articles and that they would like to get the records and look at them. MUHAMMAD related that the records are in court and can be obtained anytime in Detroit. He said the records will prove he was not charged with any such thing as the paper was trying to make the public believe he is charged with. MUHAMMAD stated that he was not arrested in 1942 and that they did not send him to prison on that charge, but sent him to prison for failure to register for the draft. b7C

[REDACTED] asked what name MUHAMMAD used when he was arrested in Detroit and MUHAMMAD told him he gave the name ELIJAH MOHAMMED but that he was once called ELIJAH KARRIEM which he spelled out. [REDACTED] asked if the charge was in the Municipal Court and MUHAMMAD stated he believed it was in the Circuit Court. [REDACTED] stated he would try to get this information and MUHAMMAD told him he was going to ask him to do that so it could be published. MUHAMMAD stated he believed the date of the Detroit arrest was April 1, 1934, and added that they were held in jail for ten days.

MUHAMMAD later contacted a [REDACTED] MUHAMMAD stated that he is interested in getting the records straight and publishing it so that the people will know. MUHAMMAD stated he believes he was arrested under the name of MOHAMMED but he used to go by the name of KARRIEM. [REDACTED] asked about MUHAMMAD's arrest in 1943 and MUHAMMAD stated he was arrested and sent to the Federal Penitentiary on charges of failing to register for the draft. MUHAMMAD stated he used the name GOOLAN BOGANS, which he spelled out. MUHAMMAD stated this was a name he picked up outside. MUHAMMAD continued that the arrest was in Washington, D.C., and he was in the United States District Court on May 8, 1942, and that the trial was in January or February, 1943. He said they learned all of his names at that time. MUHAMMAD said that he did not know if he was fingerprinted at the time of his arrest in Detroit. MUHAMMAD said that the thing that he is interested in is to get the records and show what the charges were. He said he wanted the information published to show that he was not arrested as the papers stated. b2
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It was previously reported that the files of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C., FBI Number 2 759 020, reflects the following as a part of the identification record for ELIJAH MOHAMMED:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
Police Dept., Detroit, Michigan	ELIJAH MOHAMMED #46883	4/16/34	Contribut- ing to the Delinquency of a minor	4/25/34, mos. pro

E. Health

On July 4, 1960, ~~ELIJAH MUHAMMAD~~ commented that the Holy Apostle, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, stated he was only feeling fair and had been having a lot of bad headaches.

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On October 22, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD asked Minister MALCOLM (LITTLE) if he had an urgent appointment on October 23, 1960. He then asked MALCOLM to take his place in St. Louis as he was not feeling well.

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WALLACE MUHAMMAD is a son of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

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B. Attendance At Meetings

1. Chicago, Illinois

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The July 23, 1960, edition of "The New Crusader" on page 1, carried an article entitled "Muhammad Rally to Admit Whites, Sunday". This article indicates that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD cleared up an explosive controversial issue Tuesday by answering that his July 24th Rally at the Coliseum, 1513 South Wabash, would be open to the general public free of charge. He said significantly, this also means, "This and other public meetings of my organization are open to white persons as well as anyone else". He indicated he had never barred whites from his public meetings. The Rally last February at the Coliseum had no racial or colored restrictions. MUHAMMAD said the daily newspaper reports and others inimical to the Temple of Islam deliberately misconstrued their attitude.

According to the news article, MUHAMMAD related, "At the time we told them that our spiritual meetings at the Temple of Islam Mosque, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, is private and that we reserve the right to bar whom we want from admittance".

A column by BEN HOLMAN appeared on page 15 of the July 25, 1960, red streak edition of the "Chicago Daily News" entitled, "MUHAMMAD Cleanses His Pitch to Negroes".

This article reflects that the new jag in MUHAMMAD's self styled Islamic movement includes the following features although the basic pitch is the same:

Legitimate Negro leaders, once maligned, are now being courted.

Anti-white harrangues are toned down favoring an emphasis on unity of the so-called Negro.

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An aggressive public relations program is replacing much of the clandestine atmosphere of the movement.

The July 25, 1960 article reflected that there was something almost frightening about Sundays performance - "MUHAMMAD's Lieutenants patrolled both sides of the street in front of the Coliseum carrying banners demanding: 'We want a piece of this earth', 'protect our women', 'see and hear Messenger Elijah Muhammad' ".

"Others were posted at intersections for blocks in the area of the arena passing out tickets to the production.

"The followers - and the inquisitive - stood in the 90 degree heat in block long lines waiting to be frisked before entering.

"Inside their frequent applause showed they liked what they were hearing."

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5. Detroit, Michigan

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The appearance and speech of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD at the King Solomon Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan, was reported in the November 26, 1960, edition of "The New Crusader" in an article entitled "Detroit Church Hails MUHAMMAD".

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The August 20, 1960, edition of "The New Crusader", page one, in an article entitled, "Negro Congressman Defends ELIJAH MUHAMMAD" reflects that at the NOI meeting at the Philadelphia Arena, Philadelphia's Negro Congressman ROBERT NIX,

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who had been sitting between Mr. MUHAMMAD and MALCOLM X on the rostrum, caught the city's political experts by surprise when he rose at the end of the meeting and gave Mr. MUHAMMAD his full endorsement, saying - "If anyone wants to label this great learned man as a hate teacher, let them speak on, but that they are wrong, for I have heard nothing here this afternoon that can be classified as hatred.

"This great religious leader has said nothing more than GEORGE WASHINGTON, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, or ALEXANDER HAMILTON when they were demanding freedom for their people from the British.

"He has said no more or less than any man would say who is seeking freedom for a down-trodden people... and I for one will do everything in my qualified power to help this great man."

The August 27, 1960, issue of "The New Crusader", page 11, column one, carried a photograph with an explanatory article stating that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is shown with Negro Congressman NIX of Philadelphia shortly after the fourth Negro to go to the Congress endorsed MUHAMMAD's program to rehabilitate the American Negro during a rally in Philadelphia when Representative NIX was an honored guest.

7. New York City, New York

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An article entitled "Do Not Vote Blindly, Muslim Leader Says", appearing in the August 6, 1960, New York edition of the "Pittsburgh Courier" by EVELYN CUNNINGHAM reflects that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD spoke at the 369th Armory Sunday (July 31, 1960). He told 7,000 followers and friends to "go to the voting polls with your eyes open and ears open and remember that it is not necessary for you to go seeking justice for anyone but yourself."

HULAN E. JACK
This news article reflects that self-suspended *NY* Borough President of Manhattan, HULAN JACK in a fiery address, also called upon Muslims to "express themselves at the polling places. In order to bring about a closer relationship between this country and Africa we must all go to the polls, register, and vote". Mr. JACK expressed "great appreciation and admiration for ELIJAH MUHAMMAD" whom he termed a "spiritual leader whose purpose is to bring about better understanding and cooperation."

JACK asserted that "the history of mankind will be written on the Continents of Asia and Africa", and that "all of us of African descent will one day join together and feel a glowing pride in the achievements of our people... because of the relationship of each of us to that great Continent of Africa. We must recognize that American world leadership revolves around its civil rights problem."

The "Pittsburgh Courier" is a weekly newspaper published at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The August 1, 1960, edition of the "New York Times", page 5, column one, contains an article captioned, "JACK Hails Leader of Negro Muslims". According to this article, HULAN E. JACK, self-suspended Manhattan Borough President, spoke at a meeting of Negro Muslims at the 369th Armory to an audience of about 4,000 which had gathered to hear ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, a self-proclaimed prophet.

The "New York Times" article reflected that JACK termed MUHAMMAD "a distinguished spiritual leader" and hoped that he was a leader who would "bring about better relations". The article stated that JACK left the 369th Armory before MUHAMMAD arrived.

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According to the "New York Times" article MUHAMMAD said the Negroes should tell the whites, "If we are going to live together, there must be a state for you, a state for us." Otherwise they should say, " Bye, Bye, America, I am going back where I came from."

8. Washington, D.C.

On December 6, 1960, a Special Agent of the FBI observed the following sign in the window of the premises at 2212 Rand Place, Northeast, Washington, D.C.:

"Welcome to the dedication of our new Mosque, 1519 Fourth Street, N.W. Sunday, December 11, guest speaker the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD."

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C. Use of Publications and Communications

In March, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stated he had about decided to let the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" sell its paper on the West Coast and to make the "Crusader" a big paper up and down the Middle West.

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The "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" is a weekly newspaper published at 1431 West Jefferson Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

"The New Crusader" is a weekly newspaper published at 4237 South Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. It is self-described as the "militant voice of the people". It is publicly known that DAN BURLEY is the Managing Editor of "The New Crusader".

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The August 4, 1960, edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" carried a column "Mr. MUHAMMAD Speaks" by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. The following statements were taken from this article entitled "We Must Have Some of This Earth That We Can Call our Own":

"The Great Day of Separation has begun - the separation of white and black. We were created separately..."

"The separation of the two Nations must take place to save the grieved Nation (the black Nation)."

"We need to be separated and given a place on this earth that we can call OUR OWN. If America wants her free slaves to remain with her, then why not separate the two people and give your slaves a chance to go for Self, or load us into ships, and ship us back to our own people and native land?"

"Let us have equal Justice and a home on this earth for ourselves and our future generations or die trying. What is a home and life without Justice?"

During mid-August, 1960, [REDACTED] contacted ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and said he felt they could use better publicity about their meetings and that more emphasis should be placed on the reaction of the people at various meetings.

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MUHAMMAD told [REDACTED] to go ahead and do whatever he wished and that he would be paid for his time.

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The September 10, 1960, edition of "The New Crusader" on page one, carried an article entitled, "The Truth About MUHAMMAD - What is Messenger of Allah Teaching Negroes That So Upsets Upper Classes of Both Races?" by DAN BURLEY.

According to this article the fight on MUHAMMAD and his program can be summed up on the issues listed here. They oppose him because:

- 1) The truth he teaches is too unpleasant to hear and the complacent, both Negro and white, do not want to hear it nor do they want anyone else to hear it.
- 2) MUHAMMAD stirs up the Negro masses in a way that no one since the heyday of MARCUS GARVEY has done in telling them to stand up and be men.
- 3) They cannot break up his ever-growing following without starting major race riots and other outbreaks which would be political suicide for any official to attempt at this time or any other time in the future.
- 4) MUHAMMAD is independent. No white money backs him. No white man calls the shots as to what his organization can demand from him and he owes an accounting of his stewardship only to his own people.
- 5) MUHAMMAD teaches race solidarity and unity.
- 6) Although unlettered, MUHAMMAD has the uncanny but God-given ability to accurately prophesy about the future.
- 7) He steps on too many toes. Truth is impersonal and a two-edged sword cutting down the lies, deceits and half-truths with equally emphatic snipes on all sides. He exposes the phonies among both the Negroes and whites.

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- 8) He teaches Negroes to first love one another. MUHAMMAD says, "You won't have the capacity to love anyone else if you concentrate all your love on your fellow black man".
- 9) He gives the little Negro true leadership.
- 10) He has the courage to open schools of his own in order to prepare young Negroes for what they must face and cope with in making a better world for themselves and their descendants.
- 11) He lifts up the Negro women and removes them from the status of being prostitutes for the white man.
- 12) He goes among the fallen of his people and redeems them.

An article by DAN BURLEY appearing on page 9 of the October 15, 1960, edition of "The New Crusader" entitled "Truth About MUHAMMAD - MUHAMMAD wants Negro-owned Bus Transportation Lines", reflects ELIJAH MUHAMMAD proposed five steps to economic independence for American Negroes based upon the development of such intense black nationalism that the nations 20 million Negroes will be fused into a tremendous unified bloc.

In substance these five points are as follows:

- 1) Buy farm land to raise their own food and cotton and wool for clothing.
- 2) Buy timber and clay land from which to get lumber and brick for householding.
- 3) Put up money on a voluntary monthly tax system into a national fund to build and promote Negro-owned business and enterprise.

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- 4) Build Negro-owned factories and move extensively into the world of manufacturing and trade.
- 5) Start independent Negro-owned or controlled public transportation systems.

All of these points are predicated upon intense race pride and collective action which would create a "built in" inclination to "Buy Black".

An article entitled "'Never Denounced MUHAMMAD' Islamic Head Tells Throng" appearing in the November 5, 1960, edition of the "New Jersey Herald News" reflects that Dr. MAHMOUD YOUSSEF SHAWARBI, a member of the Supreme Council on Islamic Affairs, and a member of the Faculty of Cairo University and on leave to serve as an advisor to the Yemen Delegation to the United Nations, made a scathing rebuke on those who accused him of denouncing the followers of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. The rebuke was made at an Afro-Asian Bazaar sponsored by MUHAMMAD's Temple Number 7, in New York's Rocklyn Palace last Saturday. FLU

According to the news article the disclaimer was a rebuttal to a story which appeared in the "New York Amsterdam News" last week.

It is noted that the October 22, 1960, edition of the "New York Amsterdam News", a weekly newspaper published in New York City carried an article entitled "Moslems Denounce U.S. 'Muslims'".

An article entitled "MUHAMMAD Puts a Stop to 'Hate Cult' Slander" appearing in the August 25, 1960, edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" - reflects that WILFRED X, Minister of MUHAMMAD's Mosque of Islam Number 1, 11528 Linwood Street, filed a malicious slander damage suit in behalf of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, Spiritual Leader of Islam in the United States against "The Detroit Free Press" and DON BECK, Free Press employee, jointly and severally, asking two million dollars. W. Fred Little
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The suit filed through Attorney H. FRANKLIN BROWN charges that the publication and its employee DON BECK and others unknown to the plaintiff permitted defendant BECK to maliciously launch a vicious and calculated attack upon the reputation of the mosque and had deliberately tried to discredit the plaintiff, by stigmatizing MUHAMMAD's Mosque of Islam as a "hate cult".

The suit was filed in the Circuit Court by MUHAMMAD's Mosque which is listed as a National Ecclesiastical Corporation, and cites the Free Press story of August 14, 1956, in which the headline "Hate Cult School May Be Closed" was used.

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On September 14, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, referring to radio broadcasts, said they were paying \$137 for an hour in Chicago, \$137 for one-half hour in Detroit, \$126 for an hour in Philadelphia, and \$106 for an hour in Georgia.

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During October, 1960, Radio Station WNTA, Newark, New Jersey, began to broadcast a 30 minute address by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, starting each Wednesday at 10:30 PM.

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The Volume 1, Number 4, December, 1960, edition of "Mr. MUHAMMAD Speaks", a self-described militant monthly dedicated to justice for the black man contains the following radio schedule for broadcasts by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD:

MUHAMMAD's Nationwide Radio Schedule

<u>City</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Station</u>	<u>Kc.</u>
Alexandria, Virginia	Sunday	12:30 PM	WSID	1010
Allentown, Pennsylvania	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
Annapolis, Maryland	Sunday	12:30 PM	WSID	1010
Athens, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
Atlanta, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
Atlantic City, New Jersey	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
Baltimore, Maryland	Sunday	12:30 PM	WSID	1010
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
Bridgeport, Connecticut	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
Bridgeport	Wednesday		WNTA-FM	94.7
Camden, New Jersey	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
Chester, Pennsylvania	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340

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<u>City</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Station</u>	<u>Kc.</u>
Chicago, Illinois	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Cudahy, Wisconsin	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Dawson, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
Detroit, Michigan	Tuesday	11:30 PM	WJLB	1390
Dover, Delaware	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
East St. Louis, Illinois	Sunday	4:30 PM	KAPZ	1600
East Orange, New Jersey	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
East Orange, New Jersey			WNTA-FM	94.7
Elizabeth, New Jersey	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
Elizabeth, New Jersey			WNTA-FM	94.7
Evanston, Illinois	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Flint, Michigan	Tuesday	11:30 PM	WJLB	1390
Fort Wayne, Indiana	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Gainsville, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
Gary, Indiana	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5

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<u>City</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Station</u>	<u>Kc.</u>
Griffin, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
Indianapolis, Indiana	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Jefferson City, Missouri	Sunday	4:30 PM	KAPZ	1600
Jersey City, New Jersey	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
Jersey City, New Jersey			WNTA-FM	94.7
Kenosha, Wisconsin	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Lancaster, Pennsylvania	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
LaGrange, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
Macon, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
Marietta, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
Michigan City, Indiana	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Mt. Vernon, New York	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
Mt. Vernon, New York			WNTA-FM	94.7

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<u>City</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Station</u>	<u>Kc.</u>
Newark, New Jersey	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA-FM	970
Newark, New Jersey			WNTA-FM	94.7
New Haven, Connecticut	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
New Haven, Connecticut			WNTA-FM	94.7
Newman, Georgia	Sunday	5:30 PM	WERD	860
New Rochelle, New York	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
New Rochelle, New York			WNTA-FM	94.7
New York, New York	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
New York, New York			WNTA-FM	94.7
Norristown, Pennsylvania	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	970
Orange, New Jersey	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
Orange, New Jersey			WNTA-FM	94.7
Patterson, New Jersey	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
Patterson, New Jersey			WNTA-FM	94.7
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340

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<u>City</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Station</u>	<u>Kc.</u>
Pottstown, Pennsylvania	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
Rahway, New Jersey	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
Rahway, New Jersey			WNTA-FM	94.7
Reading, Pennsylvania	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
South Bend, Indiana	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
St. Louis, Missouri	Sunday	4:30 PM	KAPZ	1600
Toledo, Ohio	Tuesday	11:30 PM	WJLB	1390
Trenton, New Jersey	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
Washington, D.C.	Sunday	12:30 PM	WSID	1010
Waukegan, Illinois	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
Waukesha, Wisconsin	Sunday	11:15 PM	WEAW-FM	105.5
White Plains, New York	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
White Plains, New York			WNTA-FM	94.7
Wilmington, Delaware	Sunday	7:30 PM	WHAT	1340
Windsor, Canada	Tuesday	11:30 PM	WJLB	1390
Yonkers, New York	Wednesday	10:30 PM	WNTA	970
Yonkers, New York			WNTA-FM	94.7

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The December 10, 1960, New York edition of the "Pittsburgh Courier" and the December 8, 1960, edition of the "Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch" also carried a list of the radio stations in cities where ELIJAH MUHAMMAD could be heard.

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The February 9, 1960, 4-Star Final edition of the "Chicago Sun-Times", a daily newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois, carried an article on page 27 entitled, "Negro Cult to Get \$165,000 for Condemned Land". According to the article the Chicago Park District agreed Wednesday to pay the Holy Temple of Islam \$165,000 for land condemned by the District. The property, bounded by South Park, Calumet, 85th and 86th Streets, was to be used to build a school, university, and church by MUHAMMAD's Temple Number 2, 5335 South Greenwood, but was condemned by the Park District for conversion into a park.

E. Personal Use of Funds

MUHAMMAD told a sister at the Temple Number 2 Bakery on June 7, 1960, that the bakery had been given to his sons HERBERT and ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, JR., and their wives. MUHAMMAD said he supplies the finances for it but they are the bosses and owners.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stated on June 7, 1960, that he is determined not to put out a dime that will not have a return on it.

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During the first part of February, 1961, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD told a [REDACTED] at San Fernando, California, in response to a question [REDACTED] had about his income tax - salary, that he did not get a salary. MUHAMMAD said no minister of Islam gets a salary and never knows what he is going to get. All he knows is that his followers will give him housing and food and that his expenses are paid by the temple.

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F. Miscellaneous

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5. Other

[REDACTED] During the first part of August, 1960, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] a NOI member, told ELIJAH MUHAMMAD she dreamed that
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MUHAMMAD told [REDACTED] that there might be something to that. He said that he got a message that they would pay all expenses for him and a number of his followers to go there for a visit. MUHAMMAD said that there might be something to that. b7C

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It is publicly known that FIDEL CASTRO is the Premier of Cuba.

Minister MALCOLM (LITTLE), Temple Number 7, New York City, contact ELIJAH MUHAMMAD on July 27, 1960, and stated that Premier LUMUMBA from the Congo was supposed to speak in Harlem next Sunday and wanted to know if he would be welcome to the meeting. MUHAMMAD stated that he would. b2

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It is publicly known that PATRICE LUMUMBA, former Premier of the Congo who was reportedly backed politically by Communist elements, was killed by a rival faction in February, 1961.

On August 8, 1960, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD made a reservation with American Airlines in the name of J. DODD, telephone number HUDSON 3-6531. The reservation was for a 3:00 PM flight to Cincinnati, Ohio, scheduled to depart from Midway Airport, Chicago, and to arrive at 4:55 PM.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD contacted his wife, CLARA, on August 10, 1960, and stated he would arrive at Midway Airport, via American Airlines Flight 570, at 6:15 that date.

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On January 24, 1961, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD contacted one [REDACTED] at telephone number [REDACTED] in Cincinnati, Ohio. b7C

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On the above date one JAMES DODD, thought to be ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, made a reservation on Delta Flight 447, scheduled to leave Midway Airport at 10:30 AM on January 25, 1961, and to arrive at Cincinnati, Ohio, at 12:53. DODD was asked for a number where he could be reached and advised he had no telephone.

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It is publicly known that MARCUS GARVEY was the leader of a mass Negro movement in the 1920's called the Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA). The UNIA utilized the slogan "back to Africa".

An article by WESLEY SOUTH, datelined St. Paul, and entitled, "Poet Hughes Gets Award of NAACP", appeared on page eight of the June 27, 1960, Diamond Final edition of the "Chicago American", a daily newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois.

According to this article, the Committee that prepared the civil rights resolution at the 51st Convention of the NAACP took a slap at ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, self-styled Muslim prophet of Chicago and his anti-white "religious" organization. After much discussion the paragraph was deleted as it was felt the African countries and North African Moslems might feel that the NAACP, by attacking the Moslems and black nationalism, would be attacking them.

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FRUIT OF ISLAM

On May 18, 1960, a source advised that the Fruit of Islam (FOI) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) composed of male members of the NOI. The purpose of the FOI is to protect officials and property of the NOI, assure compliance of members with NOI teachings and to prepare for the "War of Armageddon". Members of the FOI are required to participate in military drill and are afforded the opportunity to engage in judo training. The FOI is governed by a military system wherein the members are controlled by general orders similar to those issued by regular military organizations.

MUSLIM GIRLS TRAINING

On May 19, 1960, a source advised that the Muslim Girls Training (MGT) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) and is composed of all female members of the NOI. The MGT is similar in structure to the Fruit of Islam (FOI), which is composed of male members of the NOI, in that the MGT has officers similar to military organizations to whom other female members are accountable. MGT members receive instructions in homemaking, hygiene, calisthenics, and other subjects such as Muslim history and the English language. There also exists a Junior MGT, which is composed of female members of the NOI who are between the ages of 15 and 19 and who are afforded military-type drill.

Since 1957, various officers and "sisters" of the MGT have, at meetings of the MGT, used the term MGT so that it also means General Civilization Class. General Civilization Class refers to classes conducted within the MGT.

The above refers to activities of the MGT at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois.

On May 16, 1960, another source advised that the MGT is a group within the NOI which is composed of all female members of the NOI. The MGT is similar in structure to the FOI, which is composed of male members of the NOI. In theory, the MGT exists in all Temples of the NOI and is patterned after the MGT at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, Chicago. General Civilization Class refers to the collective group of classes held within the MGT.

**NATION OF ISLAM, formerly referred to as the
Muslim Cult of Islam, also known as Muhammad's
Temples of Islam**

In January, 1957, a source advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD had described his organization on a nation-wide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

On May 18, 1960, another source advised that the Nation of Islam (NOI) is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD, its present national leader, claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States.

Members following MUHAMMAD's teaching and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils", in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon".

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.


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**WASHINGTON PARK FORUM, also
known as Washington Park Open Forum**

A source advised on June 11, 1954, that the Washington Park Forum (WPF) started in the 1930s as a spontaneous group of unemployed persons interested in discussing current events. In the late 1930s, the Communist Party (CP) penetrated and took over the WPF. From 1936 to 1940, the CP penetration was so great that it secured and maintained control of the WPF at that time.



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A third source advised in May, 1960, that as of May, 1960, both the CP and the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) were active in the WPF, using it as a platform to implement their programs.

This same source stated that at the present time there is not clear cut control of the WPF, either by the CP or the SWP.

The CP and the SWP have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order #10450.

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WOMEN'S PEACE AND UNITY CLUB, formerly
known as the Chicago Women for Peace

The aims and purposes of the Chicago Women for Peace (CWP), as set forth in its self-identified publication, "Chicago Acts for Peace" (CAP), May, 1951 issue, describes this organization as a "service center for women working for peace". This publication described the CWP as being affiliated with the American Women for Peace and as cooperating with the American Peace Crusade (APC).

The January, 1954 issue of "CAP" announced the dissolution of the American Women for Peace and the affiliation of the CWP with the APC Council in Chicago.

A source advised in November, 1956 that the CWP remained affiliated with the APC, Chicago, until that organization dissolved in September, 1955. The CWP continued with no national affiliation until September, 1956, when a "reorganization and name change took place", and it became known as the "Women's Peace and Unity Club" (WPUC). The reason given for this "reorganization and name change" by DOROTHY HAYES, Secretary of the organization, was that the CWP had been formed to end the Korean War and since that war was over and there was a "measure of peace in the world", women's interests were more centered on such issues as civil rights, desegregated and better schools, juvenile delinquency, equal opportunities for women, housing, and cost of living. Source advised that the only actual "reorganization" of the CWP was the change of its name to "Women's Peace and Unity Club".

Another source advised in October, 1956 that the Communist Party (CP), Illinois - Indiana District, had ordered the dissolution of the CWP because it no longer served the purpose of the Party, since it was a "Left-wing" peace group. Though the CWP refused to dissolve and chose to continue in the form of the "Women's Peace and Unity Club", it continues to be a "Communist front organization" whose policies and activities are directed by CP members.

Another source advised on May 23, 1960 that the WPUC, as of that date, continued to operate in the Chicago area as a peace organization under the direction and control of CP members and its objectives continued to be the same.

The CP, American Women for Peace, and APC have all been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order #10450.

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